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HONGKONG, November 28th, 1900

THE course of events in China from day to day shows more clearly that the policy of which Great Britain has been the exponent in China has utterly failed in its object of bringing about any satisfactory settlement of the present insupportable position. In fact, so far from progressing, the situation seems to be daily becoming more insoluble, and the knot which with a little knowledge of the complications could have been unravelled, now needs the sword of an ALEXANDER to undo it. At the beginning, as we have pointed out, there were in China itself the elements of recuperation; the great Viceroys almost without exception were on the side of order, and only waited to be assured of personal protection to throw in their lots with the better disposed Powers. Amongst the Powers themselves there was still a certain amount of common feeling, and a desire to bring about a settlement in the general interest of all. Now all this is practically past, the want of any support to the Viceroys, and the desire, while taking advantage of their acts, to leave them to the tender mercies of the Dowager and her crew on the restoration of a pretended peace, have become too palpable to be ignored, and within the last week or two there are unmistakeable signs that slowly, but surely, the good wishes of the provincial officials are vanishing, and that where, had we been influenced by an intelligible policy, we could have confidently looked for support, we have now to face a sullen power of opposition. Little by little the crew at Hsianfu have been putting out their feelers, and, finding that we have calmly submitted to the insults intended in each successive "Imperial Edict," have been advancing their claims, as if we, not they, were the fugitives from justice. Unfortunately this foolish complacence on our part has not ended with ourselves, but the very evident intention to patch up a peace at any price has convinced the Viceroys that it is our deliberate intention, when the time comes, to hand them over tied and bound to the tender mercies of the party who deliberately planned the murder of all who were either foreigners themselves, or had any sympathy with the party of reform in China. Acting with this party is LI HUNG-CHANG, who, it is very well known, bears no good will to either of the Yangtze Viceroys. The fate of CHANG YIN-HWANG, the first victim to the reaction, following within a few days of the disgrace of LI, is an object lesson that neither LIU KUN-YI nor CHANG CHIH-TUNG can afford to disregard; and as we have exhibited no sign of shielding the Viceroys from the vengeance of the reactionaries, we have practically compelled them, however, personally unwilling, to assume a compliance with the ruling policy which at the beginning they were far from feeling. Leaving on one side the mistakes in policy which have brought about this situation, it is equally clear that, from a practical point of view, and looking merely to the military exigencies of the case, we have committed an equally grave mistake. We had, in fact, in our own hands from a military standpoint the means of rendering any defence impossible. We had not very long ago the power to cut off completely all the resources of the fugitive Court; we were in undisputed possession of the great waterway from east to west, and were in a position to cut off all supplies of men and funds, not to mention food-supplies, which we now know to be going to Hsianfu in large quantities; yet in the face of these facts we have made no attempt to utilise the commanding position which this gave us. It was not to be expected that seeing the embarrassing nature of the negotiations in which we permitted ourselves to be entangled, the Viceroys were themselves going to point out, to their own possible ruin, a course which was evident to any thinking man; and we unfortunately listened to the interested suggestions of such polluted sources as the Chinese Legations in London and Washington. If it be true that the Chinese Bannerman who represented China at Paris, and the Emperor himself, in his touching appeal to the foreign Powers, have both disclaimed their coincidence in this policy, it throws a lurid light on the whole course of our negotiations. No one with sufficient knowledge of the character of the men into whose hands the conduct of affairs has fallen can plead ignorance of their reactionary intentions. No real reply has been given to the charges of Dr. MORRISON against the heads of the Legations in England and the United States; and yet in the face of these grave charges we permit the very men arraigned to be our guides and advisers.

No cases of communicable disease were notified as occurring in the colony last week.

One fresh plague case and one death were reported during the 24 hours ending at noon yesterday.

H. M. S. *Terrible* has left Weihaiwei for Yokohama. Both officers and men will probably appreciate the change after their long stay at Weihaiwei.

The Mother Superior of the Italian Convent begs to acknowledge the receipt from Mr. D. Gillies of $25 and from Messrs. J. D. Humphreys and Son of $25.

It is said that the object of the departure of Mgr. Favier, Bishop of Peking, for Rome this month is to report to the Pope upon the recent occurrences in North China, so far as they affect the position of the Roman Catholic missions and their converts in that part of the Empire.

At the annual meeting of the Preceptory and Priory held last night Sir Knight G. J. B. Sayer was installed as Eminent Preceptor by Past Preceptor Sir Knight G. C. Anderson. The Eminent Preceptor then appointed and invested his officers as follows:—1st Constable, Sir Knights W. Farmer; 2nd Constable, J. Lochead; Chaplain, C. A. Watkins; Treasurer, B. B. Harker; Registrar, E. Ralphs; Marshal, J. J. Bryan; Captain of the Guard, J. W. Graham; Almoner, E. C. Wilks; Herald, J. T. Doughs; 1st Standard Bearer, J. F. Lemm; 2nd Standard Bearer, G. H. Morris; Organist, F. W. Hall; Guard, J. Maxwell.

The Hongkong Amateur Dramatic Club gave a second performance of "Our Flat" on Monday evening, before a crowded house, amongst those present being H. E. Sir Henry Blake, G.C.M.G., and H. E. Major-General Gascoigne, C.M.G., and Mrs. Gascoigne. The performance was most successful, and on the whole was an improvement on that of the opening night, the performers being naturally more familiar with their parts, and showing greater confidence. Mrs. Bagnall Wild and Mrs. Clarke were again exceedingly good, the latter never failing in provoking the laughter of the house. Mr. Bagnall Wild and Mr. C. H. F. Hay again earned well-deserved applause for their clever and consistent acting, and the minor characters were all ably portrayed. At the close of the performance a bouquet was presented to Mrs. Bagnall Wild. The Band of the Royal Welch Fusiliers were present, by permission, and rendered the following programme:—Overture, "Silver Cross," *Herman*; selection, "London night by night," *Bonheur*; selection "Shop Girl," *Jones*; March, "Regatta," *Doring*. A third performance, in aid of the Italian Convent, will be given on the 3rd proximo, and a large audience will no doubt be present.

The Chinese silver now in the care of the American Government—some $275,000 in amount—was taken by the American marines at the capture of Tientsin. Congress will decide what will be done with it. In the meantime it is being treated as a trust fund, the Government regarding itself as custodian.

The troopship *Indiana* ran ashore on hard and fast ground on the 7th inst. on the Island of Polillo, off the East coast of Luzon. No loss of life is reported, and the damage to the ship is unknown. There was on board one company of the 1st Infantry, who, with the crew, are all saved, and assistance has been sent down from Manila to float her.

We have received copies of a remarkable *Circular in connection with the Chinese Emergency (for all the ecclesiastics in the world)*, published at Tokyo on behalf of the representatives of the Great Japan Buddhist Union and signed by the heads of six sects. The wording of the pamphlet is at times somewhat quaint, but there is much sound sense in the arguments, addressed particularly to over-anxious proselytisers in China.

It will be remembered that some little time ago a number of the Portuguese at Shanghai expressed their desire to form a company of volunteers to be attached to the local corps. The idea was vetoed by a few of the consuls, and much indignation was expressed among the Portuguese community at the action taken by the Council in regard thereto. The latest from the Model Settlement to that after all the trouble and argument only sixty men have expressed their desire to join, and at a meeting of the leaders held recently, it was suggested that the officer who was sent from Macao to drill them be recalled.

The British telegraph steamer *Sherard Osborne*, the Danish boat *Nordiske*, and the German vessel *Podbielski*, are employed in laying the cable between Kiaochow and Shanghai. The latter vessel will take the cable from Kiaochow to Shaweishan, the *Osborne* will then splice it and convey it in lighters to Block House island, where the *Nordiske* will fasten on and run out the cable to Woosung. Here it will come on to Shanghai overhead along the existing lines and will take off at the German Post Office in Kiukiang Road. The *Glenfarg* has brought out part of the cable. Later on, another cable will connect Kiaochow and Chefoo.

In consequence of pre-emptory orders received from the German Government, the Commission which for the past few months has been shipping Californian horses and supplies at San Francisco for the German troops in China has left the state for Europe. This step has been taken, a San Francisco paper says, as an indication that Germany's policy in the Orient has been altered in the direction of peace. Of the large number of horses purchased by the Commission only part have been shipped, and 1,160 were ready for shipment when the closing instructions were received. The transports *Frankfort* and *Verena* have consequently been sent across the Pacific in ballast, and will, according to present arrangements, convey reliefs and time-expired men, &c., to San Francisco early in the new year. It is believed, the *Chronicle* says, in some quarters that this change in the operations of the German Government has behind it a material modification of its belligerent attitude toward the Chinese. Since the political horizon in the Orient has been partly cleared, the extensive operations which the German Government had in contemplation appear to be unnecessary.

Mr. Chantrey Inchbald, formerly of Hongkong and now representative in London of the Russo-Chinese Bank, writes to the following effect in the *Times* of the 26th ult.:—Your issue of the 13th inst. contains a telegram through Reuter's Agency *via* Berlin to the following effect:—"The Chinese Customs Bank, which is entrusted with the foreign loan service, is stated to have remitted the sum of 300,000 taels to the Imperial Court at Si-ngan-fu. It is added that the bank intends sending further remittances." The news excited no small comment at the time in view of its importance to all holders of China bonds; for, put bluntly the telegram meant no less than that the money which was earmarked for the payment of the coupons of China's foreign debt was being "commandeered" by the Chinese Government for its own use, whilst the employment of it might not unreasonably be expected to prolong China's present hostile attitude towards the foreign Powers. As a matter of fact, however, the above contemplated action of the Chinese authorities has been successfully frustrated—with the one exception of the first shipment of 300,000 taels—by the prompt and energetic protest of this bank's manager in Shanghai, and the effort to direct the Imperial Maritime Customs revenue into the coffers of the Central Government (an act which, if allowed, might have gone on indefinitely) has thus been stopped at the outset, whilst the Consular representatives of the Powers are all put on the *qui vive* to prevent any such further attempt in future. I feel sure that the above information will be welcome to many of your readers, whilst, at the same time, my letter will serve to correct the fantastic and unjustifiable interpretation given to the bank's action by one of your contemporaries special correspondent. To the mind of any business man our bank's successful protest, as agent for the collection of the next dividend due from the Chinese Government on her foreign debt, will be perfectly intelligible. It is difficult, in fact, to see how any manager worthy of his post could have acted differently. The absurd use of the incident to endeavour to damage the bank's good name, and, at the same time, to flagrantly insult a foreign Power, has met with universal condemnation in the City.

Dr. J. Kirk now acts as Colonial Surgeon-Resident at Singapore.

Earl Beauchamp, the Governor of New South Wales, has left Queensland for New Guinea, *en route* for Hongkong.

An entirely new yacht is to be built in the States to defend the America Cup against Sir Thomas Lipton's new boat. It will be built and handled by a syndicate, but no names are yet revealed.

The *Malay Mail* hears that the total tin output in Pahang this year will probably be about five times that sent out last year, while the ore exported into Selangor, and therefore paying duty at Raub, will probably amount to quite ten times the quantity so exported in 1899.

The Prince of Wales has sold his well-known yacht the *Britannia*, which was built for him in 1893. The purchaser, Sir Richard H. Williams-Bulkeley, commodore of the Royal Anglesey Yacht Club, has taken the boat over and will have her converted into a ketch.

The Government of Netherlands India has declared Singapore to be an infected port owing to the existence of cholera in that Settlement. In connection with this action the Straits Settlement Government considers it desirable to state that the first case of cholera occurred on the 1st inst. in the Lunatic Asylum and that since then (up to the 17th inst.) 27 cases in all occurred, thirteen in the Lunatic Asylum, and five in the town of Singapore. Pulo Brani has been put in quarantine owing to the occurrence of several cases.

Why is it that post-offices (or at least British post-offices) throughout the world are particularly made the home of "red-tape," delay, and circumlocution? A correspondent, writing to the *Times* last month, says:—A letter from Bloemfontein was addressed to me stamped with a 1d. stamp on which I was surcharged 3d.; an inquiry addressed to the secretary of the Post Office produced a visit from an official who informed me that the Orange River Colony "is not a British colony." I inquired whether it is a foreign country or what its position is, but to this he was not officially prepared to reply. I mentioned that the annexation took place some months ago, and naturally expressed surprise that the rate of postage remained unaltered. He answered with dignity that the Post Office "could not make these alterations in a day," meaning, I presume, bringing the postal charges into line with those of the Cape and Natal—namely, 1d. per half ounce.

The *San Francisco Chronicle* last month complained that a Democratic contemporary was trying to reintroduce upon the political stage an old ghost—that of Chinese immigration. The Democratic journal speaks of 60,000 full-blood Chinese and an enormous number of half-bloods and "seeks to alarm the people with the idea that all the Chinese in the Philippines will forthwith pack their grips and flock to the United States." There is not the slightest danger of anything of the kind, says the *Chronicle*. When the Philippines become fully incorporated prices of labour and commodities will be the same as prices in the States. It is certain that in the development of the resources of the islands there will be an enormously increased demand for labour, and it is stated that about the only really reliable labour to be had there is the Chinese. It is impossible to imagine why they should wish to leave a country where they are needed at high wages, and their bones, when they die, are within easy reach of the sacred soil of the Flowery Kingdom, and where they virtually control the labour market, and come across the ocean to some other country, where they are not wanted, and where the competition of labour is ten times more severe. The Chinese in the Philippines will not come here, for they can do better where they are, the *Chronicle* concludes.

The Ceylon Government, in view of the municipal scandals raised by Mr. White, the Mayor and Chairman of the Municipal Council at Colombo, has appointed Mr. Ellis Government agent, Western province, to take up Mr. White's duties for the next three months. In a letter communicating this change to Mr. White the Colonial Secretary says: "His Excellency (the Governor) had no reason to believe that you were dissatisfied or had any serious fault to find with the administration of Municipal affairs until the beginning of September, when there appeared in the newspapers notice of certain questions to be put by you, at an approaching meeting of the Council, to Mr. Charles Perera, Councillor for the Marodana ward. These questions, which suggested that Mr. Perera had unduly arrogated to himself authority over the officials of the Health Department, were not put, but at the meeting of the Council on 14th September Mr. Perera made a personal explanation to the effect that the authority, to which you appeared to take exception, had been delegated to him by your predecessor in the chair, and had been exercised at his wish. Apparently you were satisfied with this explanation and the matter was allowed to drop. This being the state of the case, His Excellency read, with some surprise, in the newspapers of 21st September, a memorandum by you in the unusual and not very appropriate form of questions to and answers by yourself, containing serious reflections on the management of the Health Department. This was followed by other memoranda, published on 26th and 29th September, emphasising these charges. These memoranda, to which an exaggerated interpretation appears to have been attached by the public, raised much controversy and excitement, and there followed a practically unanimous demand by the Press, on behalf of the ratepayers, for the appointment of a commission of enquiry into the grave scandals which were assumed to have been exposed by you."

TELEGRAMS.

"DAILY PRESS" SERVICE.

THE CRISIS IN CHINA.

[FROM OUR CORRESPONDENTS.]

SHANGHAI, 27th November, 7.30 p.m.

PROPOSED ARREST OF PRINCE TUAN.

It is reported that fifty of the Palace Guards have gone to Ningsia to arrest Prince Tuan, who is collecting a body-guard of Mongol princes.

SERIOUS AFFRAYS AT SHANGHAI.

Serious affrays took place here last night being caused by some French soldiers who drew their bayonets. A Sikh policeman was badly stabbed in the stomach.

LONDON, 26th November, 7.45 p.m.

LARGE RUSSIAN NAVAL REINFORCEMENTS FOR CHINESE WATERS.

A Kiel despatch states that two Russian torpedo-boats, two battleships, and an armoured cruiser, now in the North Sea, are proceeding to China. A division, consisting of torpedo-boat destroyers, will leave in December.

GENERAL NEWS.

LONDON, 26th November, 7.45 p.m.

PRESIDENT McKINLEY ON U.S. POLICY.

President McKinley, speaking at Philadelphia, claimed that the presidential elections had completely endorsed the past policy of the Administration. The future policy of the United States would be on the same lines. The Republican party, he stated, had no tendency toward Imperialism.

REUTER'S SERVICE.

LONDON, 25th November.

MR. KRUGER'S RECEPTION IN PARIS.

Mr. Kruger was received in Paris like a popular foreign Sovereign. Impassioned addresses demanding freedom and justice and declaiming oppressors were presented to him. Mr. Kruger replied in a similar strain and said he looks to the nations to secure the independence of the Republics. He drove through densely thronged streets, wild with enthusiasm everywhere. M. Loubet received him with ceremony and afterwards visited him at his hotel. Great precautions were taken to prevent an anti-English outbreak and the British Embassy was guarded.

THE UNITED STATES AND CHINA.

The United States have addressed a circular to the Powers suggesting that less extreme measures in regard to punishment and indemnities be taken as a basis of negotiations.

THE ILLNESS OF THE TSAR.

The Tsar is progressing satisfactorily, although his temperature rose on Saturday afternoon to 103½.

LOCAL MOVEMENTS.

The German transport *Batavia* arrived on Monday night from Vladivostok with 2,300 Russian troops on board.

The British transport *Umta* arrived yesterday from Shankaikwan.

The French gunboat *Comete* arrived yesterday from Swatow.

The British cruiser *Endymion* returned from a cruise yesterday.

ROYAL HONGKONG YACHT CLUB.

The races for the Commodore's Cups will be sailed as follows:—

Date.	Course.
Dec. 1st	Rock 1 mile S.W. of Cowsechow Post.
Dec. 15th	Starboard.

Start at 2 p.m. No time limit for finishing. The yachts will all sail together, but will be classed in three divisions, viz.: A—The first or 24th l. r.; B—the second or handicap; and C—the cruising class. There will be three prizes, two cups and a small third prize, one prize only to go to each class.

HANDICAP.

Prawn, *Marjorie*	scratch, allow
Bonito, *Alannah*	1 minute
Maid Marian, *Erica*	4 "
Doreen, *Gloria*, *Meteor*	9 "
Active	10 "
Dart, *Ladybird*, *Payne*, *Sybil*	14 "
Thistle, *Madge*	20 "

LATEST STEAMER MOVEMENTS.

The C. P. R. steamer *Empress of India* arrived at Nagasaki at 8.30 a.m. on Monday, the 26th inst., and left again at 5 p.m. same day for Kobe, where she was due to arrive at 10 p.m. yesterday evening.

The N. P. steamer *Energia* arrived at Tacoma from Japan and Hongkong on the 25th inst.

The P. and O. steamer *Japan* left Singapore for this port on the 27th inst. at 2 p.m.

SWATOW.

[FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.]

Swatow, 24th November.

MISCHIEVOUS FRENCH ACTION.

The French gunboat *Comète* arrived here from Canton on the 13th instant and after two days' stay left for Tchia Na, a great trading place to the north of Swatow. The *Comète* returned from there on the 23rd inst. and the particulars of her doings up along the coast which have reached me may interest the readers of your paper, who will see for themselves how the French are taking things in their own hands, without awaiting the approaching conclusion of peace. Since the last disturbances here one of the local French priests was appointed to represent France as Consul at Chowchowfu, the seat of the Taotai's Yamên. The new Consul accompanied the *Comète* on her cruise along the coast, and on arrival at Tchia Na a force of marines was landed, who in company with the Commander and the Consul went to interview the local Chingtai and enquired from him why he did not prevent the demolishing of three houses which had taken place a long time ago. The Chingtai, being in his present office only a short while, pleaded ignorance as to the demolition of the houses. The Commander would on no account listen to the explanations, but intimated to him that he would have to pay $8,000 to make good the loss sustained. I may mention that the houses, the property of converts, were destroyed by rowdies, while the payment of $8,000 is to come from the villagers.

In the meantime the French appropriated cattle, fowls and vegetables from the inhabitants, or, as the Boers say, commandeered all these things for their own use on board the *Comète*. Undoubtedly a cheap way of provisioning a man-of-war!

ANOTHER INSTANCE.

In a village called Long Tchin Te, close to Ungkong, three Roman Catholic convert families were robbed by the rowdies, and in consequence the villagers had to pay $800 compensation to the French. Not satisfied with this the French ordered the villagers to burn three houses, to which the Chinese, yielding to *force majeure*, agreed, but so far they have not put their promise into actual execution. You can see, nevertheless, in what way the French are meting out justice (?).

SCARING AN OFFICIAL.

From the above-mentioned village the *Comète* proceeded to Ungkong, where they were received by the Niow Ping Sheng, specially sent down by the Taotai for that purpose. The French again demanded $8,000 for the damages caused by rowdies in the late disturbances, and threatened to burn down a certain number of houses which were pointed out to them by the native converts and subsequently marked by the French, if the villagers refused to satisfy their demands. The ultimate result was that the Chinese promised to pay the $8,000. During the interview with the Niow Ping Sheng the Commander of the *Comète* drew his sword out of the scabbard and struck the table heavily with it to accompany, I suppose, his words with a certain amount of severity. By his action the Commander gave the Niow Ping Sheng such a dreadful scare that he cleared out during the night and fled into the country, thereby breaking off all further transactions.

At Ungkong the French also arrested four Chinese and had them taken on board the *Comète*. At the time of writing I could not ascertain if the said Chinese had been liberated yet.

Owing to the above described high-handed action of the French, innumerable people left Ungkong and the surrounding villages, and cleared off into the interior. What this affair will lead to cannot at present be known.

THE SITUATION

here and in the outlying districts is perfectly quiet, but if the French continue their mode of procedure as they have done around here on two occasions I shouldn't wonder if the expected rebellion in the south actually breaks out.

H. M. S. "BUSSARD"

has been in our port for the past 40 days and is expected to leave for the North in two days' time. S. M. S. *See Adler* arrived here on the 22nd to replace the *Bussard*.

H. I. M. S. *Idzumi* called on the 13th instant and remained here for two days. She brought the Japanese Vice-Consul down from Amoy, and he proceeded to Chouchowfu to pay his call on the Taotai. It was rumoured that the Japanese tried to get a concession here, but did not succeed, as the Taotai gently reminded them that it is at present inopportune to give any concessions away.

OTHER ITEMS.

The British Consul, Mr. Scott, with his family, has arrived here and has taken over charge of the British Consulate.

Trade is generally reviving and assuming its former propensities.

The weather is at present cool and bracing.

HONGKONG POLO CLUB.

Weather permitting, the final match of the Lewis Polo Tournament will really take place to-day (Wednesday), commencing at 4.15 p.m.

The following are the teams:—

Lt. Comdr. Wilkin	Major Kettlewell
Mr. Williams	Mr. Mulliken
Mr. Stockwell	Mr. Labertouche
Capt. the Hon. H.W. Trefusis	Capt. Taylor

By kind permission of Lt.-Col. Baillie and officers 22nd Bombay Infantry, the band of the Regiment will attend.

FOOTBALL.

A match will be played between H.K.F.C. 2nd XI and C Co. R.W.F. to-day, Wednesday, at 4.15 p.m. The following will play for the Club:—Backs—C. H. P. Hay and H. Pinckney; Halves—C. T. Kew, H. S. Holmes and A. Porter; Forwards—A. E. Williamson, T. Yule, A. C. J. Stevens, R.E., Browne R.E., Caulfield, R.E., and a goal-keeper.

SUPREME COURT.

Tuesday, 27th November.

IN ORIGINAL JURISDICTION.

BEFORE HIS HONOUR SIR JOHN CARRINGTON, C.M.G. (CHIEF JUSTICE).

CHIU WAH V. CHUE KAN.

In this case (the hearing of which was resumed from Monday) the plaintiff is a trader residing at 54, Staunton Street, and the defendant a clerk in the employ of Messrs. Deacon and Hastings, solicitors. It is a claim for the specific performance of an agreement, the defendant counterclaiming for $6,000 deposited by him with the plaintiff.

Mr. J. J. Francis, Q.C. (instructed by Messrs. Wilkinson and Grist) appeared for the plaintiff, and Mr. E. H. Sharp (instructed by Messrs. Deacon and Hastings) for the defendant.

The special jurors were Messrs. R. G. Shewan (foreman), A. Haupt, P. Jordan, S. Hancock, J. S. Van Buren, G. Stewart, and J. M. Beattie.

The evidence being concluded, counsel delivered their final addresses.

Mr. Francis said that the plaintiff was suing in this case for the specific performance of a contract which was entered into by the defendant with the plaintiff for the purchase of some property in Gilman's Bazaar for the sum of $60,000. The particular character of the suit in which they were concerned was not an ordinary common law suit. They were not asking for damages for breach of contract but that an order might be made insisting upon the contract being still in force and compelling the defendant to specifically perform, not by paying damages, but by taking over and paying for the property.

The Chief Justice—You must remember there is an alternative claim for damages.

Mr. Francis—Oh, yes, there is. He added that this claim for damages was only in the alternative in an equitable sense of the word. It was not put in as a common law claim for damages. The defendant said he refused to complete the contract on equitable grounds. He said he entered into the contract under a mistaken impression, and he said that this was not a mistake solely and entirely owing to his own fault and carelessness, but a mistake which originated in the misdescription of the property which they in the first instance furnished to him. If that turned out to be so—that they misdescribed the property to any serious extent, and if as a matter of fact the defendant did enter into the contract under a greatly mistaken impression as to what he was buying, a mistake originating in a misdescription furnished to him by them—it was perfectly clear that they would not be entitled to a decree of specific performance. So far as the first memorandum was concerned it would appear to have originated in a mistaken notion existing in the plaintiff's own mind for want of sufficient information, because he had not then seen the plan. He appeared to have got the statement as to the area from Mr. Fung Wa Chuen, from whom he purchased the property. He saw no plan himself before he entered into an agreement to purchase, and he conveyed the mistaken idea which had entered into his own mind into the mind of the defendant. With reference to the second memorandum, he was perfectly willing to admit in the doubtful state of the evidence that it was given to the defendant at the time and place mentioned by him. But as his friend put it, the second memorandum was a very little matter in the case, being merely an extension of the first. Before a mistake of this character could give rise to any equitable relief it must be clear that that mistake constituted the basis or foundation upon which the defendant entered into the contract. Therefore the two questions of fact which it seemed to him the jury had to answer were—first, it being admitted that there was a misrepresentation made by the plaintiff to the defendant as to the measurements of the property, was that mistake afterwards corrected by the exhibition of a plan of the property to the defendant? The second question was, did the defendant in fact, quite apart from the question of plan, enter into this contract in reliance upon that memorandum, or was that memorandum a mere incident in the transaction on which he was not relying at all? The defendant's case was that he was relying absolutely from the beginning to the end of this transaction on the statements contained in the memorandum. Mr. Francis asked from the defendant's education and from the nature of his employment was there any reason in the world why he should not have made these calculations himself. He contended, however, that supposing the plan had ever been exhibited, from the very nature of the transaction the defendant did not and could not have relied upon that memorandum. Mr. Francis proceeded to deal with the evidence in the case, arguing as to the points raised therein.

Mr. Sharp, touching on Mr. Francis's admission as to the second memorandum, said he could not pass the point over as his friend seemed disposed to do, because he thought the jury would agree that it was very vital indeed. It was very vital indeed as concerned the trust worthiness and credibility of the plaintiff. It was admitted in cross-examination by Mr. Fung Wah Chuen that some time before the signature was put to this agreement he had lent the plan of the property to the plaintiff. He submitted that it was perfectly clear from the evidence that these figures were taken from Fung Wah Chuen's plan in all human probability, as the defendant said, some time before the 22nd September, when Fung Wah Chuen lent his plan to the plaintiff. His friend said they could not explain how the error arose in the first memorandum. He (Mr. Sharp) could, however, explain the matter. He submitted that the only explanation was that when Fung Wah Chuen first lent that plan for the purposes in connection with the re-sale of the property to the defendant the plaintiff in good faith, having an imperfect knowledge of English figures, copied the figures intended to represent the area of the lots, understanding them to mean the length of the lots. The figures were written in such a situation across the lots that they might be taken to represent the lengths. He contended that it was no answer to say that the purchaser had the means of discovering the error. The vendor was under no obligation to give the figures. The vendor, however, had given them and was consequently bound by them. With regard to the alleged inspection of the property by the defendant he contended that inspection would not necessarily saddle the person inspecting with any knowledge as to misdescription. He took it that an ordinary man not being an expert would be very far in error in computing the size of that court or the size of the site upon which the buildings stood. Mr. Sharp contested Mr. Francis's contention that this was not professedly a sale of so much per foot and that, therefore, the measurements given were not of much moment, argued that this was not a case in which damages could be secured by the plaintiff, and as regarded the deposit of $6,000 he pointed out that it was expressly stipulated that if by any fault of the seller the contract was not completed the deposit should be returned.

The further hearing was adjourned.

POLICE COURT.

Tuesday, 27th November.

BEFORE MR. HAZELAND.

THEY GOT THEIR LAWYER.

Chan Seung and Chan Sing Ng, the two junk owners who were brought up on Monday charged with stealing three umbrellas, value $15, from the shop of one Tak Cheong, Queen's Road Central, and whose case was postponed for twenty-four hours to permit of their engaging a lawyer, were again charged. They pleaded not guilty.

The evidence for the prosecution was to the effect that the two men entered the shop, and while the *foki* was looking out silk handkerchiefs asked for by the second defendant, the other man snatched the umbrellas from a stand and attempted to bolt.

Mr. Hays, who appeared for the defendants, subjected the witnesses to a rigorous cross-examination, and succeeded in shaking their evidence to a great extent.

His Worship, in discharging the accused, said—I think the man never left the shop. Although it is a little suspicious, still there is not sufficient evidence for me to convict.

SELLING SPIRITS WITHOUT A LICENCE.

Chau Sun, holder of stall No. 48 in the Central Market, wanted to make a little money, probably against the New Year festivities, but in making it did not keep strictly within the law. Sergeant Terrett, executing a search warrant on Monday, found that Chau Sun had been selling spirits without a licence, and arrested him.

He was convicted and fined $300 with the alternative of three months' hard labour. The fine was paid.

A NICE LITTLE COLLECTION.

A corporal and a private in the R. W. F. pleaded not guilty to feloniously breaking and entering a dwelling house at 42, Praya East, and stealing therefrom one silver brooch, one set of silver sleeve links, six silver studs, two gold brooches, six silk handkerchiefs, one yard of black silk, one red silk screen, one brass ring, one bottle of scent, sixteen photographs, and one fowl, total value $59.95, the property of Annie Davis and Mamee Mahitona, on the 25th inst.

Annie Davis said she was a barmaid at the "Rose, Shamrock, and Thistle," Queen's Road Central. On Sunday morning she and Mahitona went out on a visit, and on their return found the two defendants in the house. She had previously kept company with the second defendant, who had slept in the house. Witness told the police sergeant who was called in that she did not want to charge the defendants.

The magistrate dismissed the case.

A WANTON ACT.

David Coleman, an able seaman on the British transport *Claverdale*, was arrested on Monday on a warrant from the Harbour Office for absenting himself from the ship without leave. To-day the charge was amended by Mr. Gedge, who prosecuted, to one of larceny of the ship's compass and binnacle top, valued at $300.

Coleman pleaded not guilty.

When the master and chief officer of the *Claverdale* had been heard, Richard Jeffries deposed that he heard the defendant say—"I'll have satisfaction; I'll go up and dump the binnacle, overboard." Witness tried to dissuade him from his purpose, but defendant went up on the bridge and threw the binnacle overboard. Then he picked up the compass and sent it after the binnacle.

Coleman was found guilty and sentenced to six weeks' hard labour.

THE "PERSEVERANCE" PIRACY.

Ching Yau and Leung Kwa were brought up on remand charged with piracy on the high seas on the 25th of October, when by force of arms they seized the launch *Perseverance* and piratically did steal the fittings and tackle of the said ship, to the value of $30,000, and money, jewellery, and clothing, the property of the passengers and crew, to the value of $10,128.

Captain Superintendent May prosecuted and Mr. Hays defended.

Mr. May—Your Worship, in this case the defendants are charged with piracy on the high seas, and I beg to apply for their discharge on that charge. Their extradition has been applied for, and they will be re-arrested when they leave the dock on a charge of robbery within the jurisdiction of the Chinese Empire.

The defendants were accordingly discharged, and re-arrested on leaving the dock.

The charge, as amended, was to the effect that the two defendants had committed the crime of robbing passengers on board the steam launch *Perseverance* on the 25th October, off the island of Ching Chau, within the jurisdiction of China.

The defendants again tendered a plea of not guilty.

The coxswain of the *Preseverance* was the first witness called. He stated that when the *Perseverance* left Macao at one o'clock on the 25th there were about fifty passengers on board. All went well till about three o'clock, when a disturbance arose amongst the passengers. One produced a revolver, and on witness approaching, another man struck him over the head with a pole, partly stunning him. Along with a large number of passengers and fokies, witness was then dragged down below and thrown into the afterhold. When it was nearly dark, the imprisoned men were called up one by one. Witness, on coming up out of the hole, was seized and searched. He could not recognise any of those who searched him, as they had their faces covered with cloths held in place by their queues. After being searched, he was pushed into the foreholds, where he found a number of passengers and fokies. They were then covered up. The launch was kept going till after midnight, when she was run aground. Witness then heard a noise on deck, which gradually ceased, and a quarter of an hour later he and the others ventured on deck. There was no one about, but a great many boxes and bundles were lying about. Two sampans were missing from the ship. Witness knew the Canton River well. The place where the launch lay was between two and three hours distant from Canton. Witness set about righting the launch, and succeeded in getting her off the beach at 1.30 on the following morning—twenty-four hours later.

Mr. Hays then cross-examined. Witness was steering when the disturbance among the passengers arose. The man who pointed a revolver at him had then no covering on his face. He did not see either of the prisoners in the hold. It was dark, and he could not recognise any of the people in either the after or fore holds. The prisoners might have been amongst those imprisoned in the holds. He could not swear that either of the defendants was the man who pointed the revolver at him or who struck him on the head with the pole. Neither did he recognise them amongst the pirates.

A seaman from the *Perseverance* gave corroborative evidence, after which the hearing was adjourned at five o'clock until to-day.

REVIEWS.

Trinity Bells. By AMELIA E. BARR. London, T. Fisher Unwin.

NEVER have we come across so harmless a book as Miss (or Mrs.) Barr's *Trinity Bells*. It is an ideal work for girls of a quiet tendency. Catherine or Katryntje van Clyffe is a Dutch maiden of the post-Revolution era and with her generally peaceful the story is concerned. It is true that her father was carried off by Moorish pirates before the tale opens, but his rescue is accomplished by no more exciting means than the payment of a sum of money. One character, Gertrude, Catherine's cousin has the wickedness and misfortune to speak ill of her grandmother while the latter is behind an oaken screen, and is consequently left out of the will. Nothing more disturbing than this mars the general harmony of the story. Trinity bells continue to ring during its course, involving the sprinkling of a few bars of music over the pages. Some graceful illustations by C. M Relyea accompany the text.

The Woman of Death. By GUY BOOTHBY. London, George Bell and Sons.

MR. Boothby's stirring tale is already well-known to the readers of this paper and we need not therefore commend the book further to notice. One fault we have to find, and that is in the use of foreign languages, with which either the author or the proof-reader is unacquainted. For instance, the book opens with this sentence: "*Milord Middlesborough est un bon garçon, mais c'est dommage qu'il trouve* (sic) *le monde si ennuyant.*" Then on p. 14 this passes for Latin—*Facile decensus Averni.* And why on p. 280 "*Lieder ohne Wort*"? We note that Mr. Boothby speaks carefully of "a Greek word" for Oblivion. Is Lethe too obscure?

Town Lass and Country Lass. By FLORENCE WARDEN. London, George Bell and Sons.

MISS Florence Warden's readers will be glad to have another novel from her pen. *Town Lass and Country Lass* has its scene in the days of George II, who appears himself as a *deus ex machina*—to be precise, *ex equo*—in the last chapter, putting all things to rights in broken English. The book is sufficiently entertaining.

Joan Brotherhood. By BERNARD CAPES. London, George Bell and Sons.

To tell the truth, we are disappointed in Mr. Capes's latest story. The author has been no little cried up as a strong writer and we therefore look to him for strength. What represents that quality here is of the nature of an illusion. The situation is strained. The central idea, though far from new, is good. Zola treated a coquate dilemma in *La Faute de l' Abbé Mouret* with far greater success. Many others have failed. Mr. Capes allows melodrama to intrude. He adopts, however, a novel conclusion for the story of the priest and his love, for which he deserves credit. Whether the end is probable or not, matters little, for *Joan Brotherhood* can lay no clain to realism.

St. Peter's Umbrella. By KALMAN MIKSZATH. Translated from the Hungarian by B. W. WORSWICK. London, Jarrold and Sons.

THIS is an Hungarian tale by the most popular Magyar novelist after Mauras Jókai, as Mr. Nisbet Bain tells us in a preface to the book. Messrs. Jarrold contemplate publishing at intervals a selection of the author's best works, and certainly if they are all as entertaining as *St. Peter's Umbrella* they will be doing good service to the reading public. There is much quaint humour and out-of-the-world romance in the book.

ADMIRAL DEWEY AND FILIPINO INDEPENDENCE.

CONSUL-GENERAL WILDMAN'S TESTIMONY.

An American contemporary publishes the following, which was received from Washington on the 12th October:—

The State Department to-day issued a statement made by Consul-General R. Wildman of Hongkong in reply to J. Alejandrino's letter of 12th April last to Senators Hoar and Pettigrew. Alejandrino asserted that Admiral Dewey, through him, promised the Filipinos independence and placed the Asiatic squadron at Aguinaldo's disposal to that end in an interview aboard the *Olympia* at Hongkong in April, 1891. Consul Wildman says:—

"As I am personally acquainted with the writer (J. Alejandrino) and am familar with all his movements while he was in Hongkong, and conducted whatever negotiations there were between himself and Dewey, I think it my duty to place on record a true statement of the affair.

"In the first place, I beg to say that Admiral Dewey never saw Alejandrino, and never had one word of conversation with him. Just before Admiral Dewey's squadron was leaving for Mirs Bay, F. Agoncillo and T. Sandico, representing the Filipino junta in Hongkong, asked an interview with Admiral Dewey. Their professed object was to obtain his permission to reopen the rebellion against Spain, and to co-operate with our naval forces in case the United States determined to take the islands from Spain.

"On April 27th I took to Mirs Bay in the tugboat *Fame*, Sandico, Garchitorena and, Alejandrino. On arrival in Mirs Bay the three insurgents were taken on board the *Olympia* and were assigned to Capt. Gridley's room for the time being. After a council of officers in Admiral Dewey's room the admiral requested his chief of staff, his flag lieutenant and myself to interview the Filipinos and report to him. Admiral Dewey did not see any of the three men.

"The conversation was carried on in English between Sandico and ourselves; and very little of it was translated for the benefit of the other two Filipinos. When told that Admiral Dewey was inclined to permit the three to go to Manila on the collier *Nanshan*, if they could give any good reason for so doing, they informed us they did not wish to go to Manila until the American squadron had first disposed of the Spanish squadron.

"To quote from my daily journal, under date of April 27, 1898, regarding this conference: 'The upshot of the talk was that they did not expect to be taken off as they were, and although they were dying to fight for their downtrodden fatherland they had left all their clean linen, toothbrushes, etc., in Hongkong, and could not take so long a voyage without them, and Capt. Coghlan, who came into the room, made so much fun of them that at last one of the bold warriors, J. Alejandrino, a young fellow who had never smelled powder, decided to accompany the squadron if, on Coghlan's guaranty, he would be supplied with a new suit of underclothes. I was thoroughly disgusted with the outfit.'

"Garchitorena declined to accompany his colleague on the excuse that his wife was ill. Sandico said he had no idea of going, as he was a diplomat and not a soldier. I brought them both back with me in the *Fame* the same afternoon, and Alejandrino was immediately taken to the collier *Nanshan*.

"After the battle of Manila Bay Admiral Dewey gave the Filipino permission to land at Cavite and join his friends. He, however, declined to do so unless the Admiral furnished him with a marine guard. He remained on the *Nanshan* until it was convenient for the Admiral to return him to Hongkong, which occurred within a fortnight.

"Alejandrino's subsequent history is well known to the military government in the Philippines. He loomed out as an insurgent general, a peace commissioner and a letter writer."

The navy department showed Wildman's message to Admiral Dewey, who quoted page 172, Report of the Philippine commission, volume 1, as follows:—"No alliance of any kind was entered into with Aguinaldo; nor was any promise of independence made to him then or at any other time."

THE NEW CHINA LEAGUE.

The New China League, which, as our readers will remember, says the *L. & C. Express*, was started with the object of protecting British commercial interests in China by building up a strong body of public opinion on the Far Eastern question, is likely to make itself heard during the coming winter. It is preparing, we believe, for a vigorous propaganda. Mr. Yerburgh, M.P., is the President of the League, and the Organising Committee have recently taken offices in Victoria-street, Westminster. The Chambers of Commerce throughout the country have been asked to officially join the League, and although so far, we understand, comparatively few have replied, no doubt is felt that eventually there will be a unanimous response from them. Public and commercial men are also being individually approached. Amongst others Sir Ewan Cameron is giving his support to the League, whilst amongst others who have joined, whose names are familiar to our readers, we may mention Mr. Michie, Mr. A. Dicey, and Mrs. Bishop. The Secretary, who was recently interviewed by a newspaper representative, stated:—

"We are quite certain that when the 'electorate,' and in that we include the great bulk of business men in the country, begin to recognise what a definite and firm policy in China means to our commerce, they will see how necessary it is they should be united into an organisation which will support the Government, or render it impossible for any Government to reject such a policy. The problem is a difficult and complex one, owing to the variety of interests involved. And that is just where our educative policy will come in. We have undeniably a great stake in China at the present time, but that is nothing to what we may have, as China is gradually opened up, if we adopt a prudent policy now. Just consider that in 1898 the foreign trade of China was equal to 2s. 10½d. per head of her population, and that the foreign trade of Japan in 1897 was 18s. 4d. per head of their population, and in 1898 was probably considerably more. Now there is no reason why the foreign trade of China should not reach the Japanese proportion of 18s. 4d. per head, and even, considering her boundless resources, to greatly surpass it. Consider again that in 1899 China's foreign trade was roughly valued at £69,000,000 (of which Britain's share was £43,000,000), and that if the 18s. 4d. per head proportion were ever reached in China the foreign trade of that country would be something like £345,000,000. It is easy to see if we then maintained anything like our present proportion of China's trade how immensely we should benefit. We must endeavour by every possible means to maintain if not increase our commercial position in China. We have had a long start of any other nation, and this ought not to be a difficult task, that is if we grasp our opportunities. This is the end the league has in view. But it must not be understood that our policy is aggressive. Shortly, our aims are:—'(1) To maintain intact all our existing rights throughout China. (2) To support, in conjunction with the Powers, a progressive government in China. (3) To see that there should be no disturbance of the balance of power in the Far East such as will endanger our Imperial position there.'"

A New York telegram says that the biggest nugget of gold ever received at the assay office in Wall Street, according to Superintendent Cook, arrived on the 25th ult. from a mining company in British Columbia. It was consigned to the New York agents of the Bank of Montreal. The nugget contained a fraction over 753 pounds of the solid yellow metal and is valued at $154,000. It came in a solid cone and stood about two feet high. This cone was wrapped in canvass and fitted with an oblong-box made of two-inch planks and heavily bound with iron. The gold was firmly held in the box by two wooden wedges driven in from the top. Two heavy iron rings were set in the sides of the rough box and through these were fitted wooden bars by which the box was lifted. It required four men to remove it from the truck in the assay office to the scales.

EXPORT CARGO.

Per steamer *Agamemnon*, sailed on the 14th November. For London:—100 pkgs.=4,800 lbs. Congou tea, 4,169 boxes=87,549 lbs. scented caper tea, 190 boxes=3,990 lbs. scented or. pekoe tea, 102 boxes tea from Amoy, 463 half chests tea from Amoy, 2,300 bales hemp, 2,0 bales waste silk, 41 bales hammocks, 67 bales pierced cocoons, 20 bales feathers, 169 rolls matting, 454 casks preserves, 2178 cases preserves, 91 cases cigars, 68 cases Chinaware, 27 cases blackwoodware, 20 cases aniseed oil, 21 cases shell, 12 cases gum, 26 cases pkgs. paints, 47 pkgs. sundries. For Manchester:—1 case silk embroideries, 1 pkge. fans. For London opt. Manchester:—94 bales waste silk. For Glasgow:—560 cases ginger, 1 case picture and frame. For London opt. Glasgow:—250 cases preserves, 41 casks preserves. For London opt. Hamburg:—481 bales canes, 67 bales galangal, 50 cases star aniseed. For Buenos Ayres opt. Montevideo:—150 pkgs. tea.

THE TIBETAN MISSION TO RUSSIA.

From some time past students of Central Asian matters have been attributing to Russia the intention to carry her frontier to the Himalayas by the occupation of Kashgaria, and also to establish her influence over the Buddhist Holy Land of Tibet, only to be designated alarmists and propagators of absurd views by Mr. Stead and other friends of every country but their own. And now we learn, writes a correspondent to the *Times*, to the surprise of even the best-informed, that the matter is no longer in the stage of intention, but that Russia has successfully broken ground in the "forbidden land" of High Asia. Something of the same sensation, on a smaller scale, was created when Grombtchevsky, now commanding on the Sungari, made his way into Hunza 12 years ago. That enterprising officer, however, instead of adding to the reputation and territory of his Emperor, injured him in the first place by proving that he could not make good his words, and, in the second place, by causing us to seize and strengthen a neglected postern in the defences of India. Perhaps when the last word comes to be written on this Tibetan chapter the result may not be very different, but for the moment we frankly admit that Russia, in her secret, stealthy way, has stolen a march upon us and scored a point. The Government of India, by its ostentatious neglect of all questions beyond the northern frontier of the peninsula, has contributed to Russia's success. When it allowed its agent at Kashgar, Mr. George Macartney, to be completely overshadowed by the Russian Consul-General, Mr. Petrovsky, it might have known that Russia would never rest satisfied until her influence was supreme throughout Chinese Turkistan, and from the time of Colonel Prejevalsky she has never concealed her ambition to pierce the Tibetan mystery. Confident in the security supposed to be conferred by the Himalayas, the Government of India has remained indifferent to the schemes imputed to Russia; now that they have made a step in the direction of realisation it may, perhaps, see reason to review the situation.

Yet the Government of India was put in possession of certain information five or six years ago that must have prepared it in some measure for what has now taken place. When the Chinese envoy and his staff came to Calcutta to sign the treaty which terminated the Sikkim trouble the envoy's chief secretary told an English official connected with China the following story. Some years before a Russian officer—it was not Prejevalsky, but it is not easy to establish his identity although the opinion may be hazarded that it might have been Robarovsky—arrived in Tibet and established relations with one of the divisional Governors of the country. He dilated, in the favourite strain of Russian envoys from the time of Vickovitch, on the dangers likely to arise from British ambition and on the assistance his master, the Great White Tsar, could and would render any distressed potentates in resisting their designs. But he went on to say to his host, the Lama Governor: There might be some difficulty in your communicating with the Russian authorities in the event of any trouble with the British, and, therefore, I will leave you these two letters addressed to the nearest Russian authority. One letter is to be sent should you have any disputes with the British so that we may assist you by diplomatic means. The other, clearly distinguishable from the first, is to be sent in the event of a serious quarrel or invasion of your country, when we will come to your aid with an army.

The Russian officer left, and the Lama gave the letters to the Chinese Resident at Lhasa, in whose office, no doubt, they would still be found.

The arrival of a Tibetan mission in Europe could not be concealed, even if the Russians had wished to hide so notable a success, but we owe to it the revelation of the well-kept secret that 18 months ago an accredited Russian mission entered Lhasa. The envoy, M. Badmayeff, who accompanied this mission, seems to have had some special qualifications for his task. He is described as being of Mongolian extraction, and that would mean that he was well acquainted with the tenets of the Taranath Lama of Urga, who is in regular correspondence with the Dalai Lama of Lhasa. There is nothing remarkable in the fact that M. Badmayeff reached the capital of Tibet. At the most it would only entitle him to a place among a small band of explorers of several nationalities who preceded him in scoring what has been considered by universal consent one of the greatest geographical triumphs open to human enterprise and spirit of adventure. But the importance and significance of M. Badmayeff's mission lie in its results. It is not very surprising that the Dalai Lama should have received him and accepted his presents, especially if he is an adept in the practices of Buddhism and accustomed to the society of Lamas, but it certainly is very remarkable that he should have been able to induce so supreme and secluded a potentate as the Dalai Lama to send a return mission to Europe. We have no wish to diminish the satisfaction of M. Badmayeff when the Dalai's envoy had "the happiness" a few days ago of being presented to the Emperor at Livadia. It must have surpassed that of the recipient of the gold medal of our own Geographical Society, which is considered the blue ribbon of explorers, but with the experience of Grombtchevsky in our memory we may hint that it may prove more fleeting.

The Russian official description of the Tibetan envoy is "the senior Tsanite Khomba attached to the Dalai Lama of Tibet," and his personal names are given as Axharamba Agvan Dorjieff. If the description is accurate, we may assume that this particular Khomba or high priest—perhaps head of a monastery is a better rendering—is one of the council of the Dalai Lama. The use of the word "senior" may be intended to convey the idea that this Khomba is the Gialbu, or Prime Minister, of Tibet, but we shall not believe that until very conclusive evidence is furnished. The Dalai's council is composed of Prime Minister and nine councillors, five of them priests, or Dabas and four laymen. Axharamba Agvan is probably one of the Dabas on this council. The Gialbu is always chosen from one of the governing lathas of the four "lings" or divisions into which Tibet is divided. He is a saintly personage, and, like the Dalai himself, his soul is supposed to transmigrate into another body. For this reason alone the Tibetan Prime Minister would never be allowed to leave his country, and consequently the official whom the Russians are entertaining is, at the highest, only a mere councillor who has no right to ride in a palanquin or "palki" in his own country. Until more details are vouchsafed some scepticism is permissible as to the precise value of the credentials, if any, of this individual. There are sacerdotal adventurers in the land of the Lamas as elsewhere, and according to Continental interviewers the Paris Exhibition itself contained at least one saintly Mongol Lama from Urga bearing the heavy burden of a soul *in transitu*. He left Paris some time ago on his return journey, and perhaps his services may have been enlisted to encourage his co-religionist to extend a visit originally undertaken perhaps only to Urga or Maimachin into the longer journey to Europe. Even allowing that the Khomba is a genuine councillor from Lhasa, there is a wide range for speculation as to the motives with which the Dalai Lama allowed him to depart. All we know of that personage is that he was born in the year 1875 and discovered shortly afterwards in the orthodox fashion on the death of his predecessor. What his views may be on any subject is beyond conjecture, and we do not even know whether the real power in his country lies in his hands or in those of the two Ambans who represent the now decaying majesty of China. The movement of events round his frontier, the abortive Macaulay mission, the troubles in Sikkim, the fighting in the passes, and the more than once threatened war with Nepal, added to the increasing efforts of explorers from the north and south to enter Tibet, have necessarily increased the curiosity about Europeans, even among priests penned together in lamaseries. Nor need it be disputed that, as danger seemed to threaten from the south, the Lhasa council might have been disposed to listen to promises that aid would come from the north.

There is, however, no doubt that the question raised by the exchange of diplomatic civilities between Russia and Tibet is one that the Government of India cannot pretend to treat with the indifference which it has shown to M. Petrovsky's intrigues in Kashgaria. Tibet is a close neighbour of India, and we are not likely to forget that Warren Hastings sent two embassies to that country at a time when Russia was of very small account on the steppes. Even were we to show apathy in the matter, our very good ally the Maharaja of Nepal and his gallant Gurkha army would not look on with indifference while Russia or any strong militant power established itself on the northern side of the Kirong Pass. We need only utter one word of encouragement at Khatmandu, and there will be an end to Tibetan seclusion within a very few weeks, possibly without a single Indian regiment being sent beyond the frontier. Nepal has rights in Tibet to which we cannot pretend. She has a considerable trade, a recognized position in an assigned quarter for the residence of her merchants, and accredited officers to uphold their interests, and she has also claims for redress for many wrongs inflicted. It is not long since all the influence of the Indian Government was needed to prevent the Nepalese invading Tibet. There is no longer any necessity to exercise that restraining influence, which was only asserted to please the Chinese Government. That Government has forfeited all claims on our consideration, and it is also tolerably clear that its influence at Lhasa, at least for good purposes, has become a thing of the past. Are we to stand by while that of Russia is insidiously to be substituted for it? The offer of the Khatmandu Darbar in 1839 and again of Jung Bahadur in 1852 to occupy Tibet is as good to-day as when first made, and is far more easily to be achieved. The intolerance of the priestly caste in Tibet which has so long barred the doors of that country in our face could not be indefinitely tolerated. The success of Russia in establishing some sort of diplomatic relations with the Dalai Lama reveals all its perilous possibilities at a flash. We are not going to allow an Abyssinia to be created at the gates of Bengal, or the failure of Hunza to be obliterated in a triumph at Lhasa.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS

FURNISHED ROOM TO LET, with or without Board.
Apply to—
F. G.,
Care of Office of this Paper.
Hongkong, 28th November, 1900. [2996

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR HAIPHONG.

THE Company's Steamship

"THALES,"

Captain Robson, will be despatched for the above ports TO-DAY, the 28th inst., at 11 A.M.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & CO.,
General Managers.
Hongkong, 28th November, 1900. [2995

THE CHINA AND MANILA STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

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"DIAMANTE,"

Captain A. Ramsay, will be despatched as above TO-MORROW, the 29th instant, at 5 P.M.
The attention of Passengers is directed to the excellent accommodation provided by this steamer. She is fitted throughout with Electric Light.
A doctor is carried.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
SHEWAN, TOMES & Co.,
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Hongkong, 27th November, 1900. [2994

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FOR SWATOW, AMOY, AND TAIWANFOO.

THE Company's Steamship

"ANPING MARU,"

Captain S. Atsumi, will be despatched for the above ports on WEDNESDAY, the 12th December, at DAYLIGHT.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
THE MITSUI BUSSAN KAISHA,
Agents.
Hongkong, 28th November, 1900. [1443

NOTICE.

LOST, from H.M.S. *Astraea* on the night of the Typhoon, a LARGE RAFT, 40 Feet by 19 Feet. Anyone giving information leading to the recovery of same will be rewarded.
Apply to—
H.M. NAVAL YARD.
Hongkong, 27th November, 1900. [2987

THE TRADE MARKS ORDINANCE, 1898.

APPLICATION FOR REGISTRATION OF TRADE MARKS.

NOTICE is hereby given that LEUNG MIN, of No. 22, QUEEN'S ROAD WEST, Victoria, Hongkong, and Canton, in the Empire of China, Tea Merchant, has, on the 18th day of September, 1900, applied for the registration in Hongkong, in the Register of TRADE MARKS, of the following TRADE MARK:—
The distinctive device of a plant in full bloom known as the Epidendrum in a fancy pot or basket, above which is printed or written the Chinese Characters 號茶生蘭 and below which is printed or written LAN SANG, best Kooloo Tea, Hongkong, in the name of LEUNG MIN, of No. 22, Queen's Road West, Victoria, Hongkong, and Canton, in the Empire of China, Tea Merchant, who claim to be the sole proprietor thereof.
The TRADE MARK has been used by the applicant in respect of the following goods, namely, Tea in Packets, Boxes, and Chests, in Class 42.
Facsimiles of the TRADE MARK can be seen at the office of the Colonial Secretary of Hongkong and also at the offices of the undersigned.
Dated the 28th day of September, 1900.
MOUNSEY & BRUTTON,
No. 39 & 41, Des Vœux Road,
New Praya Central,
Victoria, Hongkong,
on behalf of the applicant
2525] LEUNG MIN.

SHOW OF CHRYSANTHEMUMS.

MR. DORABJEE NOWROJEE begs to intimate to his Friends and the general Public that his Fine Collection of CHRYSANTHEMUMS will be on SHOW in the Gardens at KOWLOON HOTEL for one week, commencing from Monday, the 26th instant.
Entrance by Elgin and Chater Roads.
Hongkong, 24th November, 1900. [2964

EOTHEN MARK LODGE, No. 234.

A REGULAR MEETING of the EOTHEN MARK LODGE will be held at the FREEMASONS' HALL TO-MORROW (THURSDAY), the 29th instant, at 5 for 5.30 P.M. precisely. Visiting Brethren are cordially invited to attend.
Hongkong, 24th November, 1900. [2969

ZETLAND LODGE, No. 525, E.C.

A REGULAR MEETING of the ZETLAND LODGE will be held at the FREEMASONS' HALL on SATURDAY, the 1st December, at 8.30 for 9 P.M. precisely. Visiting Brethren are cordially invited to attend.
Hongkong, 23th November, 1900. [2971

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GARMENTS made by hand; guaranteed perfect fit. Hats, Shirts, Socks, Silk Handkerchiefs, Boots, Shoes, &c., for Sale. New and Fashionable Goods. Prices very moderate.
No. 65, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL.
Hongkong, 18th October, 1900. [2682

NOTICE OF FIRM.

NOTICE.

MR. CURMALLY JAN MAHOMED being about to proceed to Bombay, Mr. AHMED RAHIM assumes charge of my business from this date and is authorized to SIGN the Firm in Hongkong, China and Japan.
EBRAHIMBHOY PABANEY.
Hongkong, 27th November, 1900. [2985

ENTERTAINMENT.

THEATRE ROYAL, CITY HALL.

THE HONGKONG AMATEUR DRAMATIC CLUB

WILL give a REPETITION of

"OUR FLAT"

(IN AID OF THE ITALIAN CONVENT),
ON
MONDAY, 3rd December, at 9 P.M.

Booking Office opens on Wednesday, 28th November, and Tickets may be booked from 10 A.M. to 4 P.M. on that and following days (except on Friday, 30th instant).
H. C. NICOLLE,
Acting Manager.
Hongkong, 27th November, 1900. [2983

AUCTIONS

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instructions to Sell by Public Auction,
TO-MORROW (THURSDAY),
the 29th November, 1900, at NOON, at his Sales' Room, Duddell Street.
THE BRITISH STEAMER
"GLENAVON,"
2,986 TONS GROSS,
as she now lies Wrecked at Lung Tung Island, about 20 miles from Hongkong, with all her GEAR, BUNKER COALS and CARGO (about 1,000 Bales of HEMP, &c.).
To be sold in One Lot.
The same to be at Purchaser's risk on fall of the hammer.
GEO. P. LAMMERT,
Auctioneer.
Hongkong, 17th November, 1900. [2911

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.
No. 648.

THE following Particulars and Conditions of Sale of CROWN LAND by PUBLIC AUCTION, to be held at the Offices of the Public Works Department, on MONDAY, the 3rd day of DECEMBER, 1900, at 3 P.M., are published for general information.
By Command.
J. H. STEWART LOCKHART,
Colonial Secretary.
Colonial Secretary's Office,
Hongkong, 24th November, 1900. [2986

Particulars and Conditions of the Letting by Public Auction Sale, to be held on MONDAY, the 3rd day of DECEMBER, 1900, at 3 P.M., at the Offices of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor, of One Lot of Crown Land at Ma-Tau-Kok, Kowloon, in the Colony of Hongkong, for a term of 75 Years, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of Her Majesty the QUEEN for one further term of 75 Years.

PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.

No. of Sale.	Registry No.	Locality.	Boundary Measurements.				Contents in Square ft.	Annual Rent.	Upset Price.
			N.	S.	E.	W.		$	$
			ft.	ft.	ft.	ft.			
1	Kowloon Inland Lot No. 1,112.	Ma-Tau-Kok	50'	59'	100'	100'	5,000	40	300

NOTICE.

STEAMERS calling at Amoy can be supplied with the highest class of JAPANESE BUNKER COAL.
For terms, &c., apply to
LAPRAIK, CASS & CO.
Amoy, 10th October, 1900. [2636

PUBLIC COMPANY

THE PUNJOM MINING COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that an EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the above-named Company will be held at the Company's Office, No. 9, Des Vœux Road, Victoria, in the Colony of Hongkong, on SATURDAY, the 8th day of December, 1900, at NOON, for the purpose of Considering and, if thought fit, Passing the A or B Resolutions following, viz:—

RESOLUTIONS A.

1.—That the Capital of the Company be increased by the creation and issue of 60,000 New Ordinary Shares of $10 each, with the sum of $8 paid up on each, and that the Directors be empowered and authorised to accept surrenders of the present 60,000 Ordinary Shares of the Company of $8 each on which the sum of $8 each has been paid up, and that one New Share of $10, with the sum of $8 paid up thereon, be given in lieu of and in exchange for each old share of $8 fully paid up, and that thereupon the said old shares be cancelled.
2.—That of the remaining $2 payable in respect of each of the New Shares, the sum of $1 be paid on the surrender of the old share, and that the residue be (if necessary) called up and paid at such times and in such instalments as the Board may determine.

RESOLUTIONS B.

1.—That the Capital of the Company be increased by the creation and issue of 60,000 New Ordinary Shares of $12 each with the sum of $8 paid up on each, and that the Directors be empowered and authorised to accept surrenders of the present 60,000 Ordinary Shares of the Company of $8 each on which the sum of $8 each has been paid up, and that one New Share of $12 with the sum of $8 paid up thereon be given in lieu of and in exchange for each old share of $8 fully paid up, and that thereupon the said old Shares be cancelled.
2.—That of the remaining $4 payable in respect of each of the New Shares the sum of $1 be paid on the surrender of the Old Shares and that the residue be (if necessary) called up and paid at such times and in such instalments as the Board may determine.

Should either of the above Resolutions be passed by the requisite majority they will be submitted for confirmation as Special Resolutions to a Second Extraordinary General Meeting which will be subsequently convened.
By Order of the Board of Directors.
W. H. GASKELL,
Secretary.
Hongkong, 24th November, 1900. [2975

PUBLIC COMPANIES

THE HONGKONG ELECTRIC COMPANY, LIMITED.

SHAREHOLDERS, who have not yet PAID the Call of $3 per Share on the New Issue of Shares, due on 1st instant, are hereby reminded that same should be paid forthwith and Scrip sent in to the Company's Office for endorsement, and notice is hereby given that, in accordance with the provisions of the Company's Articles of Association, interest at the rate of 12 per cent. per Annum from 1st inst. till date of payment will be charged on all such calls outstanding after this date.
By Order.
GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 15th November, 1900. [2893

A. S. WATSON & CO., LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

AN INTERIM DIVIDEND on account of the year 1900, at the Rate of Fifty Cents per Share (or Five per cent. on the Capital of the Company) will be PAYABLE at the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank, Hongkong, on and after the 28th instant, on Warrants to be obtained from the undersigned. Local Shareholders are requested to apply at the Company's Office for their Warrants.
The DIVIDEND will also be Payable at the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank, Shanghai, on presentation of Warrants there, on and after the same date.
The REGISTER of SHARES will be CLOSED from WEDNESDAY, the 21st instant until FRIDAY, the 30th instant, both days inclusive, during which period no Transfer of Shares can be registered.
By Order—
A. H. MANCELL,
Secretary.
Hongkong, 9th November, 1900. [2848

THE HONGKONG STEAM WATER-BOAT COMPANY, LIMITED.

CAPITAL... ... ... $75,000.

Divided into 7,500 Shares of $10 each, payable $5 on Application and the Balance to be called up as may be required.

CONSULTING COMMITTEE.
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CHAU SIU KI, ESQ. (Manager, HONGKONG AND KOWLOON LAND AND LOAN CO., LD.).

MANAGER.
J. W. KEW, ESQ.

BANKERS.
THE HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

SOLICITORS.
MESSRS. WILKINSON & GRIST.

OVER 5,000 Shares have been ALREADY ALLOTED.
The Share List will Close on the 30th November, 1900.
Application Forms may be had at the Company's Bankers Offices, HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANK, and at the Company's Solicitors Offices, Messrs. WILKINSON AND GRIST.

PROSPECTUS.

The object for which it is proposed to form the above Company is the acquisition and extention of the business now carried on by Mr. J. W. KEW, of supplying with fresh water the ships entering the harbour of Hongkong.
In consideration of the transfer by the vendor to the Company of his steamboats, pumps, hose, good-will, &c., he receives the sum of $35,000.00 of which he is willing to take $20,000 in fully paid up shares in the Company. Mr. KEW undertakes and guarantees the payment of a dividend of at least 10 per cent. to the shareholders, for the first *two years* of the existence of the Company.
Hongkong, 9th November, 1900. [2847

TEBRAU PLANTING COMPANY, LIMITED.

IN accordance with Article No. VIII. Paragraph 3 of the Articles of Association of the Company, Interest at the rate of $10 per cent. per Annum is being Charged on all Unpaid Calls.
JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON,
General Managers.
Hongkong, 8th November, 1900. [2839

A. S. WATSON & CO., LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

NOTICE is hereby given that an EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the above Company will be held at the Company's Office, Queen's Road Central, Victoria, Hongkong, on TUESDAY, the 4th day of December next, at TWELVE O'CLOCK NOON, when the subjoined Resolution will be proposed.
Should the Resolution be passed it will be submitted for confirmation as a Special Resolution to a Second Extraordinary General Meeting which will be subsequently convened.

RESOLUTION:—

"That the Regulations approved by this meeting and for the purposes of identification subscribed by the General Managers be and the same are hereby approved And that such Regulations be and they are hereby adopted as the Regulations of the Company to the exclusion of all existing Regulations thereof."
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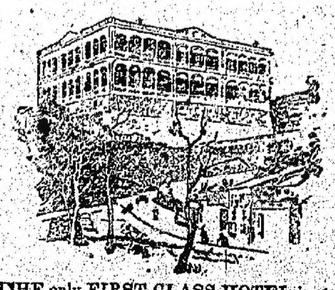

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CHAPTER XXIX.
PUT TO THE TEST.

"I remember very little of the events of that day," my love said, with some reluctance. "I knew Ashwicke, he having been a guest here last year, and a frequent visitor at Gloucester Square. With Nora and Sir Henry I returned to London in early May, after wintering in Florence, and one morning at the end of June I met Major Tattersoll unexpectedly in the Burlington. He told me that his sister and niece from Scotland were visiting him at his house in Queen's Gate Gardens, and invited me to call, and make their acquaintance."

"Had you never been to his house previously?"

"Never. He, however, gave me an invitation to luncheon for the twenty-fourth of July, which I accepted. On arrival I found the major, his sister and his niece were out shopping; therefore I sat alone awaiting them in the drawing-room, when of a sudden I experienced for the first time that curious sensation of being frozen. I tried to move, but was unable. I cried out for help, but no one came. My limbs were stiff and rigid, as though I were struck by paralysis, while the pain was excruciating. I fought against unconsciousness, but my last clear recollection of those agonising moments was of an indistinct sinister face peering into mine. All then became strangely distorted. The balance of my brain became inverted, and I lost my will-power, being absolutely helpless in the hands of those who directed my movements. I could not hold back, for all my actions were mechanical, obeying those around me. I remember being dressed for the wedding, the journey to the church, my meeting with my future husband—whose face, however, I was unable afterwards to recall—the service, and the return. Then came a perfect blank."

"And afterwards?"

"Night had fallen when I returned to my senses, and the strange sensation of intense cold generally left me. I looked around, and to my amazement saw the pale moon high in the sky. My head was resting upon something hard, which I gradually made out to be a wooden seat. Then, when I sat up, I became aware of the bewildering truth—that I was lying upon one of the seats in Hyde Park."

"In Hyde Park? And you had been placed there while in a state of unconsciousness?"

"Yes. Upon my finger I found a wedding-ring. Was it possible, I wondered, that I was actually married to some unknown man?"

"You saw nothing of Ashwicke?"

"I saw no one except the maid-servant who showed me into the drawing-room, and cannot in the least account for the strange sensation which held me helpless in the hands of my enemies. I saw the man I married at the church, but so mistily that I did not recognise you when we met again."

"But you knew the house in Queen's Gate Gardens. Did you not afterwards return there and seek an explanation of Tattersoll?"

"On discovering my whereabouts I rose and walked across the Park to Gloucester Square. It was then nearly one o'clock in the morning, but Nora was sitting up in anxiety as to what had become of me. I had, however, taken the ring from my finger, and to her told a fictitious story to account for my tardy return. Two days later I returned to the house to which Tattersoll had invited me, but on inquiry found to my amazement that it was really occupied by a lady named Stentiford, who was abroad; while the man left in charge knew nothing whatever either of the major or of his sister and niece. I told him how I had visited there two days previously, but he laughed incredulously; and when I asked for the maid-servant who had admitted me he said that no maid had been left there by Mrs. Stentiford. In prosecution of my inquiries I sought to discover the register of my marriage, but not knowing the parish in which it had taken place, my search at Somerset House was fruitless. They told me that the registers were not made up there until six months or so after the ceremony."

"You did not apply at Doctors' Commons?"

"No," she responded. "I thought the entry would be at Somerset House."

"What previous knowledge had you of the major?"

"He was a friend of Ashwicke's, who had been introduced to us one night in the stalls at Daly's. He afterwards dined several times at Gloucester Square."

"But Sir Henry does not know him."

"It was while he was away at the Cape."

"Then you have not the faintest idea of the reason of our extraordinary marriage, darling?" I asked, holding her hand. "I have told you all that actually occurred. Can you form no conclusion whatever as to the motive?"

"Absolutely none," she answered. "I am as utterly in the dark as yourself. I cannot understand why you were selected as my husband."

"But you do not regret?" I asked tenderly.

"Regret! No," she repeated, raising her beautiful face to mine, perfect in its loveliness and purity. "I do not regret now, Richard—because I love you." And our lips met again in fervent tenderness.

"It is still an absolute mystery," I observed at last. "We know that we are wedded, but there our knowledge ends."

"We have both been victims of a plot," she responded. "If we could but discern the motive, then we might find some clue to lead us to the truth."

"But there is a woman called La Gioia," I said; and, continuing, explained my presence in the park at Whitton and the conversation I had overheard between herself and Tattersoll. Her hand, still in mine, trembled perceptibly, and I saw that I had approached a subject distasteful to her.

"Yes," she admitted at last in a hard strange voice, "it is true that he wrote making an appointment to meet me in the park that night. I kept it, because I wished to ascertain the truth regarding my marriage. But he would tell me nothing. He only urged me to secure my own safety because La Gioia had returned."

"And who is La Gioia?"

"My enemy—my bitterest enemy!"

"Can you tell me nothing else?" I asked in a tone of slight reproach.

"I know nothing else. I do not know who or what she is, or where she lives. I only know that she is my unseen evil genius."

"But you have seen her. She called upon you on that evening at Gloucester Square when she assumed the character of your dressmaker, and a few nights ago she was here—in this house."

"Here?" she echoed in alarm. "Impossible!"

Then I related how I had seen her, and how her evil influence had fallen upon me when afterwards I had entered my room.

"The thing is actually beyond belief," she declared. "Do you really think you were not mistaken?"

"Most assuredly I was not. It was the woman who called upon you in London. But you have not told me the reason you were absent from your room that night."

She was silent for a few moments, then answered:

"I met Tattersoll. He demanded that I should meet him, as he wished to speak with me secretly. I did so."

"Why did he wish to see you?"

"In order to prove to me that he had no hand in the tragic affair at Whitton. I had suspected all along that he was responsible for the colonel's death, and my opinion has not altered. I begged him to tell me the reason of the plot against me, the motive of my marriage, and the identity of my husband. But he refused point-blank, telling me to ask La Gioia, who knew everything."

"Have you no idea of her whereabouts?"

"None whatever."

"If we could but find her," I said, "she might tell us something. Ah! if we could but find her!"

My love was trembling. Her heart was filled to overflowing with the mystery of it all. Yet I knew that she loved me—yes, she loved me.

How long we lingered there upon the terrace I know not, but it was late ere we re-entered the drawing-room. Who among those assembled guests would have dreamt the truth! We were man and wife!

As I went upstairs I found a letter lying upon the hall-table in the place where the guests' letters were placed. Barton had, I suppose, driven into Corsham and brought with him the mail which would, in the usual course, have been delivered on the following morning. The note was from Hoefer; a couple of awkwardly scribbed lines asking me to come and see him without a moment's delay.

Eager to hear whether the queer old fellow had made any discovery, I departed next morning by the eight o'clock express for London having left a note with Baryl's maid explaining the cause of my sudden journey, and soon after eleven was seated with the old German in his lofty laboratory. The table was, as usual, filled with various contrivances, bottles of liquids and test-tubes containing fluids of various hues, while before him, as I entered, a small tube containing a bright blue liquid was bubbling over the spirit-lamp, the heat causing the colour gradually to fade.

"Ah, my friend," he cried with his strong accent, holding out his big fat hand encased in a stout leather glove. "I am glad you have come—very glad. It has been a long search, but I have discovered something, after all. You see these?" and he indicated his formidable array of retorts and test-tubes. "Well, I have been investigating at Gloucester Square, and have found the affair much more extraordinary than I believed."

"And you have discovered the truth?" I demanded.

"Yes," he responded, turning down the flame of the lamp and bending attentively to the bubbling fluid from which all colour had disappeared while I had been watching. "Shall I relate to you the course of my investigation?"

"Do. I am all attention."

"Well," he said, leaning both elbows upon the table and resting his chin upon his hands, while the tame brown rat ran along the table and scrambled into his pocket, "on that first evening when you sought my assistance I knew from the remote effects which both of us experienced that the evil influence of that mysterious visitor in black was due to some unknown neurotic poison. It was for that reason that I was enabled to administer an antidote without making an exact diagnosis. Now, as you are well aware, toxicology is a very strange study. Even common table-salt is a poison, and has caused death. But my own experiments have proved that although the various narcotic poisons produce but little local change, their remote effects are very remarkable. Certain substances affect certain organs in particular. The remote action of a poison may be said to be due in every instance to its absorption into the veins or the lymphatics; except when there is a direct continuity of effect traceable from the point where the poison was applied to the point where the remote effect is shown. It is remarkable that the agents which most affect the nervous system do not act at all when applied to the brain or the trunks of nerves. Poisonous effects result from absorption of the poisoning body, and absorption implies solution; the more soluble, therefore, the compound is, the more speedy are its effects. Do you follow me?"

"Quite clearly."

"The rapid remote effect produced on leaving that room made plain to me that I must look for some powerful neurotic poison that may be absorbed through the skin," he went on. "With this object I searched microscopically various objects within and without the room, but for a long time was unsuccessful, when one morning I made a discovery that upon the white porcelain handle of the door a little colourless liquid had been applied. Greater part of it had disappeared by constant handling, but there was still some remaining on the shaft of the handle, and the microscope showed distinct prism-shaped crystals. All these I secured, and with them have since been experimenting. I found them to be a more deadly poison than any of the known paralysants or hyposthenisants with an effect of muscular paralysis very similar to that produced by curare, combined with the stiffness about the neck and inability to move the jaws so apparent in symptoms provoked by strychnia. The unknown substance, a most deadly secret poison, and as I have since proved, one of those known to the ancients, had been applied to the door handle on the inside, so that any person in pulling open the door to go out must absorb it in sufficient quantity to prove fatal. Indeed, had it not been for the antidote of chlorine and the mixed oxides of iron which I fortunately hit upon death must have ensued in the case of each of us.

"To determine exactly what was the poison used was an almost insurmountable task, for I had never met with the substance before, but after working diligently all this time I found that by treating it with sulphuric acid it underwent no change, yet by adding a fragment of bicromate of potash a series of blue, violet, purple and red tints were produced, very similar to those seen in the tests for strychnia. The same results were brought about also by peroxide of lead and black oxide of manganese. I dried the skin of a frog and touched it with a drop of solution containing a single one of the tiny crystals, when strong tetanic convulsions ensued, and the animal died in ten seconds. At last, however, after many other experiments, the idea occurred to me that it was an alkaloid of some plant unknown in modern toxicology. I was, of course, aware of the action of the calaban bean of the West Coast of Africa, the akazga, the datura seeds of India, and such like poisons, but this was certainly none of these. It was a substance terribly deadly—the only substance that could strike death through the cuticle—utterly unknown to us, yet the most potent of all secret poisons."

"And how did you determine it at last?"

"By a reference I discovered in an ancient Latin treatise on poisons from the old monastery at Paris, now in the British Museum. It gave me a clue which ultimately led me to establish it as the alkaloid of the vayana bean. This bean it appears was used in the tenth and eleventh centuries by a sect of despotic Arab mystics called the Fatimites, who had made Cairo their capital, and held rule over Syria, as well as the northern coast of Africa. The last Fatimite was, at a later date, dethroned by Saladin, conqueror of the Koords, and who opposed Richard I. of England. The poison, introduced from Egypt into Italy, was known to the old alchemists as the most secret means of ridding one of undesirable acquaintances. Its effect, it was stated, was the most curious of any known drug, because for the time being it completely altered the disposition of the individual and caused him to give way to all sorts of curious notions and delusions, while at the same time he would be entirely obedient to the will of any second person. Afterwards came fierce delirium, a sensation as though the lower limbs were frozen, complete loss of power, exhaustion and death. But in modern toxicology even the name of the vayana was lost.

"My first step, therefore, was to seek assistance of the great botanist who is curator of Kew Gardens, and after considerable difficulty and many experiments we both arrived at the conclusion that it was the bean of a small and very rare plant peculiar to the oasis of the Ahir in the south of the Great Sahara. At Kew there was a stunted specimen, but it had never borne fruit; therefore we both searched for any other specimen that might exist in England. We heard of one in the wonderful gardens of La Mortola, near Mentone, and after diligent inquiries discovered that a firm of importers in Liverpool had sold a specimen with the beans in pod, which was delivered to a person named Turton, living in Bishop's Wood Road, Highgate, and planted in a small greenhouse there. I have not been idle," he added with a grin. Then taking from a drawer in the table before him a photograph, he handed it to me, saying, "I have been able to obtain this photograph of Mrs. Turton—the lady who purchased the plant in question."

He held it out to me, and in an instant I recognised the face. It was that of the woman who had crept so silently through the rooms at Atworth—La Gioia!

Briefly, I told him all that had transpired on that night, and declared that I recognised her features, whereat he granted in satisfaction.

"You asked me to try to solve the mystery, and I have done so. You will find this woman living at a house called 'Fairmead,' in the road I have indicated. I have not only established the cause of the phenomena, but I have at the same time rediscovered the most extraordinary and deadly substance known in toxicology. As far as the present case is concerned my work is finished. I have succeeded in making some of the vayana alkaloid. Here it is!" and taking a small yellow glass tube, securely corked and sealed, he handed it to me. In the bottom I saw about half-a-grain of tiny white crystals. I knew now why he was wearing gloves in his laboratory.

"And have you seen this woman?" I asked the queer old fellow whose careful investigations had been crowned with such success. "How did you know on the following day that it was Gioia who had come in the guise of a dressmaker?"

"I have seen her, and I have seen the plant. It is from one of the beans which I secured secretly that I have been able to produce that substance. I knew her name by overhearing a conversation between Miss Wynd and her cousin on the following morning."

"And the woman is in ignorance that you know the truth?"

"Entirely. I have finished. It is for you to act as you think fit."

I expressed admiration for his marvellous patience and ingenuity in solving the mystery, and when I left it was with the understanding that if I required his farther assistance he would willingly render it.

(*To be continued.*)

VESSELS ADVERTISED AS LOADING.

DESTINATION	VESSEL'S NAME	FLAG & RIG	BERTH	CAPTAIN	FOR FREIGHT APPLY TO	TO BE DESPATCHED
LONDON	CANTON	Brit. str.	—	C.F.Lockstone, R.N.R.	P. & O. S. N. Co.	On 30th inst., at Noon.
LONDON, &c., VIA PORTS OF CALL	SOBRAON	Brit. str.	—	L. M. Wibmer, R.N.R.	P. & O. S. N. Co.	On 8th Dec., at Noon.
LONDON VIA SUEZ CANAL	ANTENOR	Brit. str.	—	Jackson	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 11th Dec.
LONDON VIA SUEZ CANAL	ACHILLES	Brit. str.	—	Brown	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 25th Dec.
LIVERPOOL DIRECT	PYRRHUS	Brit. str.	—	Tillotson	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 1st Dec.
BREMEN, VIA PORTS OF CALL	STUTTGART	Ger. str.	—	P. Grosch	MELCHERS & Co.	To-day, at Noon.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP, V. S'PORE, &c.	AWA MARU	Jap. str.	—	N. Trennt	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 30th inst., at Daylight.
MARSEILLES, &c., VIA PORTS OF CALL	ANNAM	Fren. str.	—	Poydenot	MESSAGERIES MARITIMES	On 3rd Dec., at 1 P.M.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP, V. S'PORE, &c.	INABA MARU	Jap. str.	—	W. Bainbridge	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 14th Dec., at Daylight.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	AMBRIA	Ger. str.	—	A. Wagner	CARLOWITZ & Co.	On or about 8th Dec.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	ARAGONIA	Ger. str.	—	Forst	CARLOWITZ & Co.	On or about 20th Dec.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	WITTENBERG	Ger. str.	—	Hempel	CARLOWITZ & Co.	On or about 30th Dec.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	SAMBIA	Ger. str.	—	Schmidt	CARLOWITZ & Co.	On or about 8th Jan.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	HOLSATIA	Ger. str.	—	Bakle	CARLOWITZ & Co.	On or about 20th Jan.
NEW YORK VIA SUEZ CANAL	HILLGLEN	Brit. str.	—		DODWELL & CO., LIMITED	To-morrow.
NEW YORK	GLENARTNEY	Brit. str.	—	E. G. Warner	McGREGOR BROS. & GOW	On 12th Dec.
NEW YORK VIA SUEZ CANAL	DEVONSHIRE	Brit. str.	—		SHEWAN, TOMES & Co.	On or about 20th Dec.
NEW YORK VIA SUEZ CANAL	VERONA	Ger. str.	—	Hansen	CARLOWITZ & Co.	On or about 28th Dec.
NEW YORK	R. MORROW	Brit. ship	—		ARNHOLD, KARBERG & Co.	Quick despatch.
VANCOUVER, VIA SHANGHAI, &c.	EMPRESS OF JAPAN	Brit. str.	—	H. Pybus, R.N.R.	CANADIAN PACIFIC R. Co.	On 19th Dec.
VICTORIA, B.C., & TACOMA VIA SHANGHAI, &c.	TACOMA	Brit. str.	—	A. Dixon	DODWELL & Co., LIMITED	On 1st Dec.
PORTLAND, OREGON VIA JAPAN	MILOS	Ger. str.	—		T. M. STEVENS & Co.	On or about 30th inst.
PORTLAND, OREGON, &c., VIA JAPAN, &c.	EVA	Brit. str.	—	Petersen	ARNHOLD, KARBERG & Co.	On or about 1st Dec.
SAN FRANCISCO VIA SHANGHAI, &c.	CITY OF PEKING	Amr. str.	—		PACIFIC MAIL S. S. Co.	On 4th Dec., at Noon.
SAN FRANCISCO VIA AMOY, &c.	GAELIC	Brit. str.	—		O. & O. S. S. Co.	On 11th Dec., at Noon.
SAN FRANCISCO VIA SHANGHAI, &c.	HONGKONG MARU	Jap. str.	—		TOYO KISEN KAISHA	On 18th Dec., at Noon.
SAN DIEGO, &c., VIA MOJI, &c.	CARLISLE CITY	Brit. str.	—		BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 10th Dec.
AUSTRALIAN PORTS	CHINGTU	Brit. str.	—	Williams	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 10th Dec., at 4 P.M.
AUSTRALIAN PORTS	AIELLIE	Brit. str.	—	St. John George	GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.	On 14th Dec., at Daylight.
GERMAN COLONIAL & AUSTRALIAN PORTS	MUNCHEN	Ger. str.	—	Krebs	MELCHERS & Co.	On or about 6th Dec.
VLADIVOSTOCK	GERMANIA	Ger. str.	—	Bendixen	EAST ASIATIC TRADING Co.	On or about 28th inst.
KOBE & YOKOHAMA	WAKASA MARU	Jap. str.	—	J. B. Macmillan	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 7th Dec., at Daylight.
KOBE & YOKOHAMA	KANAGAWA MARU	Jap. str.	—	J. McKenzie	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 21st Dec., at Daylight.
NAGASAKI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	YAWATA MARU	Jap. str.	—	A. E. Moses	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 21st Dec., at Noon.
WEIHAIWEI	TAIYUAN	Amr. str.	—	Nelson	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 4th Dec., at Noon.
SHANGHAI	TAIWAN	Brit. str.	—	Harder	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	To-morrow.
SHANGHAI	HANGCHOW	Brit. str.	—	Pearce	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	To-morrow, at Noon.
SHANGHAI	LYEEMOON	Ger. str.	—	G. Heuermann	SIEMSSEN & Co.	To-morrow, at 4 P.M.
SHANGHAI	OCEANIEN	Fren. str.	—		MESSAGERIES MARITIMES	On or about 2nd Dec.
SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	JAPAN	Brit. str.	—	G. K. Wright	P. & O. S. N. Co.	On or about 4th Dec.
SHANGHAI & JAPAN	BENGAL	Brit. str.	—	S. Barcham	P. & O. S. N. Co.	On or about 8th Dec.
SHANGHAI	THALES	Brit. str.	—	Robson	DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.	To-day, at 11 A.M.
HAIPHONG	ANPING MARU	Jap. str.	—	S. Atsumi	MITSUI BUSSAN KAISHA	On 12th Dec., at Daylight.
SWATOW, AMOY & TAIWANFOO	TAMSUI MARU	Jap. str.	—	K. Hasegawa	MITSUI BUSSAN KAISHA	On 2nd Dec., at Daylight.
SWATOW, AMOY & TAMSUI	AKASHI MARU	Jap. str.	—	K. Suzuki	MITSUI BUSSAN KAISHA	On 5th Dec.
FOOCHOW VIA SWATOW & AMOY	DIAMANTE	Brit. str.	—	A. Ramsay	SHEWAN, TOMES & Co.	To-morrow, at 5 P.M.
MANILA	SUNGKIANG	Brit. str.	—	Moore	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 3rd Dec., at 4 P.M.
MANILA	CHINGTU	Brit. str.	—	Williams	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 10th Dec., at 4 P.M.
MANILA	HIROSHIMA MARU	Jap. str.	—	S. Yoshizawa	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 12th Dec., at Noon.
BOMBAY, VIA SINGAPORE & COLOMBO	CATHERINE APCAR	Brit. str.	—	J. G. Olifent	DAVID SASSOON, SONS & Co.	To-morrow, at 3 P.M.
SINGAPORE, PENANG & CALCUTTA	MARIA TERESA	Aus. str.	—	T. Rassevich	SANDER, WIELER & Co.	On 6th Dec., P.M.
SINGAPORE & BOMBAY						

SHIPPING.

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Nov. 26, BATAVIA, German transport, 7,099, H. Slagin, Vladivostock 20th Nov., 2,300 Russian Troops.

Nov. 26, HILLGLEN, British str., 2,501, S. Pulford, Amoy 25th November, General.—DODWELL & Co., LIMITED.

Nov. 27, LYEEMOON, German steamer, 1,238, Heuermann, Canton 26th November, General.—SIEMSSEN & Co.

Nov. 27, CANTON, British str., 1,110, Lawrence, Canton 26th Nov., General.—JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.

Nov. 27, COMETE, French gunboat, 525, Louet, Swatow 26th November.

Nov. 27, UMTA, British transport, 5,365, Herrington, Sanhaikwan 16th Nov. and Weihaiwei 21st.

Nov. 27, PROGRESS, German str., 687, Brandt, Quinhon 20th Nov. and Touron 23rd, Rice.—SIEMSSEN & Co.

Nov. 27, ENDYMION, British cruiser, from a cruise.

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AT THE HARBOUR MASTER'S OFFICE.
27TH NOVEMBER.

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Anping Maru, Japanese str., for Swatow.
Hailan, French str., for Hoihow.
Jacob Diederichsen, German str., for Haiphong.
Dunav, Austrian str., for Chemainus.

DEPARTURES.

Nov. 27, AJAX, British str., for Shanghai.
Nov. 27, SIERRA MIRANDA, British ship, for Royal Road.
Nov. 27, YUENSANG, British str., for Manila.
Nov. 27, BERURIC, British str., for Sydney.

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KOWLOON DOCKS.—Tartar, Zafiro, Clara, Sandakan, Formosa, Gefion.
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Hongkong, 28th November, 1900. [2947

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Hongkong, 28th November, 1900. [2481

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Hongkong, 28th November, 1900. [2410

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Hongkong, 24th November, 1900. [2951

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Hongkong, 24th November, 1900. [2965

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Hongkong, 26th November, 1900. [15

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Hongkong, 13th November, 1900. [2883

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STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

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LONDON	CANTON, C.F. Lockstone, R.N.R.	Noon, 30th Nov.	Freight or Passage.
SHANGHAI AND JAPAN	JAPAN, G. K. Wright, R.N.R.	About 4th Dec.	Freight or Passage.
LONDON, &c.	SOBRAON, L. M. Wibmer, R.N.R.	Noon, 8th Dec.	*See Special Advertisement.*
SHANGHAI	BENGAL, S. Barcham, R.N.R.	About 8th Dec.	Freight or Passage.

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Hongkong, 23th November, 1900. [1

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STEAMERS.	DESTINATIONS.	SAILING DATES.	
AMBRIA, Capt. A. Wagner	HAVRE & HAMBURG (London with transhipment in Hamburg)	About 8th December.	Freight.
ARAGONIA, Capt. Forst	HAVRE & HAMBURG (London with transhipment in Hamburg)	About 20th December.	Freight.
WITTENBERG, Capt. Hempel	HAVRE & HAMBURG (London with transhipment in Hamburg)	About 30th December.	Freight.
SAMBIA, Capt. Schmidt	HAVRE & HAMBURG (London with transhipment in Hamburg)	About 8th Jan., 1901.	Freight.
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Hongkong, 24th December, 1900. [13

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PROJECTED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG—SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

STEAMERS.	DESTINATIONS.	SAILING DATES.
AWA MARU, N. Trennt	MARSEILLES, LONDON, and ANTWERP, VIA SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO & PORT SAID	FRIDAY, 30th Nov., at DAYLIGHT.
WAKASA MARU, J. B. Macmillan	KOBE and YOKOHAMA	FRIDAY, 7th Dec., at DAYLIGHT.
HIROSHIMA MARU, S. Yoshizawa	BOMBAY, VIA SINGAPORE and COLOMBO	WEDNESDAY, 12th Dec., at NOON.
INABA MARU, W. Bainbridge	MARSEILLES, LONDON, and ANTWERP, VIA SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO & PORT SAID	FRIDAY, 14th Dec., at DAYLIGHT.
KANAGAWA MARU, J. McKenzie	KOBE and YOKOHAMA	FRIDAY, 21st Dec., at DAYLIGHT.
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Hongkong, 28th November, 1900. [12

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Hongkong, 22nd November, 1900. [9

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KONIG ALBERT	WEDNESDAY	12th December.
PRINZ HEINRICH	WEDNESDAY	26th December.
PRINZESS IRENE	WEDNESDAY	9th January, 1901.
PRINZESS ALEXANDER	WEDNESDAY	23rd January, 1901.
HAMBURG (Hamburg-Amerika Linie)	WEDNESDAY	6th February, 1901.
SACHSEN	WEDNESDAY	20th February, 1901.
KIAUTSCHOU (Hamburg-Amerika Linie)	WEDNESDAY	6th March, 1901.
BAYERN	WEDNESDAY	20th March, 1901.
STUTTGART	WEDNESDAY	3rd April, 1901.
KONIG ALBERT	WEDNESDAY	17th April, 1901.
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Hongkong, 15th November, 1900. [8

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Hongkong, 5th November, 1900. [2806

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General Agents for China and Japan.

Hongkong, 4th August, 1897.

VESSELS ON THE BERTH.

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

FOR LIVERPOOL DIRECT.
Taking Cargo at LONDON Rates.

THE Company's Steamship

"PYRRHUS,"

Captain Tillotson, will be despatched as above on SATURDAY, the 1st December.
For Freight, apply to
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
Agents.
Hongkong, 13th November, 1900. [2776

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

PAQUEBOTS—POSTE FRANCAIS.

STEAM FOR
SAIGON, SINGAPORE, BATAVIA, COLOMBO, ADEN, EGYPT, MARSEILLES, MEDITERRANEAN AND BLACK SEA PORTS, LONDON, HAVRE, BORDEAUX,
ALSO
PORTS OF BRAZIL AND RIVER PLATE.

ON MONDAY, the 3rd December, 1900, at 1 P.M., the Company's Steamship "ANNAM," Captain Poydenot, with Mails, Passengers, Specie and Cargo, will leave this port for MARSEILLES via BOMBAY.

This Steamer connects at COLOMBO with the s.s. *Australien*, which vessel takes on her Passengers and Mails, leaving that port on the 15th December direct to Suez, Port Said and Marseilles.

Cargo and Specie will be registered for London as well as for Marseilles, and accepted in transit through Marseilles for the principal places of Europe.

Shipping Orders will be granted till Noon. Cargo will be received on board until 4 P.M., Specie and Parcels until 3 P.M. on the 2nd December. (Parcels are not to be sent on board; they must be left at the Agency's Office.) Contents and Value of Packages are required.

For further Particulars, apply at the Company's Office.

G. DE CHAMPEAUX,
Agent.
Hongkong, 20th November, 1900. [2

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR MANILA.

THE Company's Steamship

"SUNGKIANG,"

Captain Moore, will be despatched on MONDAY, the 3rd December, at 4 P.M.

The attention of Passengers is directed to the Superior Accommodation offered by this Steamer. The First-class Saloon is situated forward of the Engines.

A duly qualified Surgeon is carried and the Vessel is fitted throughout with Electric Light.

For Passage, apply to
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
Agents.
Hongkong, 26th November, 1900. [2980

U.S. MAIL LINE.

PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

VIA INLAND SEA OF JAPAN AND HONOLULU.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

CITY OF PEKING (via S'hai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama, and Honolulu)	TUESDAY, Dec. 4, at NOON.
CHINA (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama, and Honolulu)	THURSDAY, Dec. 27, at NOON.
CITY OF RIO DE JANEIRO (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Y'hama and Honolulu)	TUESDAY, Jan. 22, 1901, at NOON.

THE Company's Steamship "CITY OF PEKING" will be despatched for SAN FRANCISCO, VIA SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, INLAND SEA, YOKOHAMA and HONOLULU on TUESDAY, the 4th December, at NOON.

Steamers of this line pass through the INLAND SEA OF JAPAN, and call at HONOLULU, and passengers are allowed to break their journey at any point *en route*.

Through Passage Tickets granted to England, France, and Germany by all trans-Atlantic lines of steamers, and to the principal cities of the United States or Canada. Rates may be obtained on application.

Passengers holding through ORDERS TO EUROPE have the choice of overland Rail routes from San Francisco, including the SOUTHERN PACIFIC, CENTRAL PACIFIC, UNION PACIFIC, DENVER AND RIO GRANDE, and NORTHERN PACIFIC RAILWAYS; also the CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY on payment of £4 in addition to the regular tariff rate.

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Through Bills of Lading issued for transportation to Yokohama and other Japan Ports, to San Francisco, to Atlantic and Inland Cities of the United States, via Overland Railway, to Havana, Trinidad, and Demerara, and, to ports in Mexico, Central and South America, by the Company's and connecting Steamers.

Freight will be received on board until 4 P.M. the day previous to sailing. Parcel Packages will be received at the office until 5 P.M. same day; all Parcel Packages should be marked to address in full; value of same is required.

Consular Invoices to accompany Cargo destined to points beyond San Francisco in the United States should be sent to the Company's Office in Sealed Envelopes, addressed to the Collector of Customs at San Francisco.

For further information as to passage and Freight, apply to the Agency of the Company, Queen's Building.

J. S. VAN BUREN,
Agent.
Hongkong, 9th November, 1900. [3

VESSELS ON THE BERTH

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

FOR SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA.

THE Company's Steamship

"OCEANIEN,"

with the outward French Mail, left Singapore on Sunday, the 25th instant, at 6 P.M., and will leave for the above ports on or about SUNDAY, the 2nd December, 1900.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
G. DE CHAMPEAUX,
Agent.
Hongkong, 26th November, 1900. [2

CHINA NAVIGATIO NCOMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR WEI-HAI-WEI.

THE Company's Steamship

"TAIYUAN,"

Captain Nelson, will be despatched as above on TUESDAY, the 4th December, at NOON.

The attention of Passengers is directed to the Superior Accommodation offered by this Steamer. The First-class Saloon is situated forward of the Engines.

A duly qualified Surgeon is carried and the Vessel is fitted throughout with Electric Light.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
Agents.
Hongkong, 21st November, 1900. [2942

THE OSAKA SHOSEN KAISHA, LIMITED.

FOR FOOCHOW VIA SWATOW AND AMOY.

THE Company's Steamship

"AKASHI MARU,"

Captain K. Suzuki, will be despatched for the above ports on WEDNESDAY, the 5th December.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
THE MITSUI BUSSAN KAISHA,
Agents.
Hongkong, 22nd November, 1900. [2524

OCCIDENTAL AND ORIENTAL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

TAKING CARGO AND PASSENGERS TO JAPAN, THE UNITED STATES, MEXICO, CENTRAL AND SOUTH AMERICA, AND EUROPE, VIA THE OVERLAND RAILWAYS AND ATLANTIC AND OTHER CONNECTING STEAMERS.
VIA INLAND SEA OF JAPAN AND HONOLULU.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

GAELIC (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama and Honolulu)	TUESDAY, Dec. 11, at NOON.
DORIC (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama and Honolulu)	SATURDAY, Jan. 5, at NOON.
COPTIC (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama and Honolulu)	TUESDAY, Jan. 29, 1901, at NOON.

THE Company's Steamship "GAELIC" will be despatched for SAN FRANCISCO VIA SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, INLAND SEA, YOKOHAMA, and HONOLULU on TUESDAY, the 11th December, 1900, at NOON.

Steamers of this line pass through the INLAND SEA OF JAPAN and call at HONOLULU and passengers are allowed to break their journey at any point *en route*.

Through Passenger Tickets granted to England, France, and Germany by all trans-Atlantic lines of Steamers and to the principal cities of the United States or Canada. Rates and particulars of the various Routes may be obtained upon application.

Special rates (first class only) are granted to Missionaries, members of the Naval, Military, Diplomatic, and Civil Services, to European officials in service of China and Japan, and to Government officials and their families.

Passengers who have paid full fare, re-embarking at San Francisco for China or Japan (or *vice versa*) within one year, will be allowed discount of 10 per cent. *This allowance does not apply to through fares from China and Japan to Europe.*

All PARCEL PACKAGES should be marked to address in full; and same will be received at the Company's Office until FIVE P.M. the day previous to sailing.

Consular Invoices to accompany Cargo destined to points beyond San Francisco in the United States should be sent to the Company's Offices, addressed to the Collector of Customs, San Francisco.

For further information as to Freight or Passage apply to the Agency of the Company, Queen's Building.

J. S. VAN BUREN,
Agent.
Hongkong, 19th November, 1900. 4

GLEN LINE OF STEAMERS.

FOR NEW YORK.

THE Company's Steamship

"GLENARTNEY,"

Captain E. G. Warner, will be despatched for the above port on WEDNESDAY, the 12th December.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
McGREGOR BROS. & GOW,
Agents.
Hongkong, 21st November, 1900. [2940

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

FOR LONDON (VIA SUEZ CANAL).

THE Company's Steamship

"ACHILLES,"

Captain Brown, will be despatched as above on TUESDAY, the 25th December.
For Freight, apply to
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
Agents.
Hongkong, 16th November, 1900. [2902

NOT RESPONSIBLE FOR DEBTS.

Neither the CAPTAINS, the AGENTS, nor the OWNERS will be RESPONSIBLE for any DEBT contracted by the Officers of the Crews of the following Vessels during their stay in Hongkong Harbour:—
STATE OF MAINE, American ship, Colcord.—Standard Oil Co.

VESSELS ON THE BERTH

AUSTRIAN LLOYD'S STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

STEAM FOR SINGAPORE AND BOMBAY.
(In close connection with the Company's accelerated line to TRIESTE.)

THE Company's Steamship

"MARIA TERESA,"

Captain T. Rassevich, will be despatched as above on THURSDAY, the 6th December, P.M.
For information as to Passage and Freight, apply to
SANDER, WIELER & CO.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 16th November, 1900. [6

THE PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

STEAM FOR STRAITS, CEYLON, AUSTRALIA, INDIA, ADEN, EGYPT, MEDITERRANEAN PORTS, PLYMOUTH AND LONDON.

THROUGH BILLS OF LADING ISSUED FOR BATAVIA, PERSIAN GULF, CONTINENTAL AND AMERICAN PORTS.

THE Company's Steamship

"SOBRAON,"

Captain L. M. Wibmer, R.N.R., carrying Her Majesty's Mails, will be despatched from this for Bombay on SATURDAY, the 8th December, at NOON, taking passengers and cargo for the above ports.

Silk and Valuables, all cargo for France, and Tea for London (under arrangement) will be transhipped at Colombo into a steamer proceeding direct to Marseilles and London; other cargo for London, &c., will be conveyed *via* Bombay with transhipment.

Parcels will be received at this Office until 4 P.M. the day before sailing. The contents and value of all packages are required.

Shippers are particularly requested to note the terms and conditions of the Company's Bills of Lading.

For further particulars, apply to
A. M. MARSHALL,
Acting Superintendent.
Hongkong, 26th November, 1900. [1

CALIFORNIA AND ORIENTAL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

IN CONNECTION WITH THE ATCHESON, TOPEKA AND SANTA FE RAILROAD CO.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM
HONGKONG TO SAN DIEGO AND SAN FRANCISCO,
VIA INLAND SEA OF JAPAN AND HONOLULU.
TAKING CARGO AND PASSENGERS TO JAPAN PORTS AND HONOLULU.
THE UNITED STATES, MEXICO, CENTRAL AND SOUTH AMERICA, &c.

S.S. "CARLISLE CITY" 3,002 Tons	On 10th Dec.
S.S. "KVARVEN" 2,463 Tons	On 12th Dec.

THE Steamship "CARLISLE CITY" will be despatched for SAN DIEGO and SAN FRANCISCO VIA MOJI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA and HONOLULU, on MONDAY, the 10th December.

Through Bills of Lading issued to any point in the United States.

Cargo will be received on board until 5 P.M. the day previous to sailing. Parcel Packages will be received at the Office until the same time. All parcels should be marked to address in full. Value of same is required.

Consular Invoices, to accompany Cargo destined to points beyond San Diego, should be sent to the Company's Office, addressed to the Collector of Customs, San Diego.

For further information as to Freight or Passage, apply to
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
Agents,
Hongkong, China and Japan.
Hongkong, 15th November, 1900. [14

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR MANILA.

THE Company's Steamship

"CHINGTU."

Captain Williams, will be despatched as above on MONDAY, the 10th December, at 4 P.M.

The attention of Passengers is directed to the Superior Accommodation offered by this Steamer. The First-class Saloon is situated forward of the Engines.

A duly qualified Surgeon is carried, and the Vessel is fitted throughout with Electric Light.

For Passage, apply to
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
Agents.
Hongkong, 22nd November, 1900. [2953

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR PORT DARWIN, QUEENSLAND PORTS, SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE.

THE Company's Steamship

"CHINGTU,"

Captain Williams, will be despatched as above on MONDAY, the 10th December, at 4 P.M.

The attention of Passengers is directed to the Superior Accommodation offered by this Steamer. The First-class Saloon is situated forward of the Engines. A Refrigerating Chamber ensures the Supply of Fresh Provisions during the entire voyage.

A duly qualified Surgeon is carried and the Vessel is fitted throughout with Electric Light.

N.B.—Return Tickets issued by this Company to and from AUSTRALIA are available for return by the Steamers of the EASTERN AND AUSTRALIAN S.S. Co. and *vice versa*.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
Agents.
Hongkong, 22nd November, 1900. [2954

UNITED STATES AND CHINA-JAPAN STEAMSHIP LINE.

(ROB. M. SLOMAN & CO., HAMBURG.)

FOR NEW YORK VIA SUEZ CANAL.

THE full-powered Steamship

"VERONA,"

Captain Hansen, will be despatched for the above port on or about 28th December.
For Freight apply to
CARLOWITZ & CO.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 8th November, 1900. [2853

VESSELS ON THE BERTH

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD.

FOR GERMAN COLONIAL AND AUSTRALIAN PORTS.

Calling at SAIPAN, PONAPE, FRIEDRICH-WILHELMSHAFEN, FINSCHHAFEN, HERBERTS-HÖHE, TOWNSVILLE, ROCKHAMPTON, BRISBANE and SYDNEY.
Taking Cargo at through rates to MELBOURNE, ADELAIDE, NEWCASTLE, FREMANTLE, AUCKLAND, WELLINGTON, GISBORNE, NAPIER WANGANNI, DUNEDIN and HOBART.

THE Company's Steamship

"MÜNCHEN,"

Captain Krebs, will leave for the above ports on or about 6th December.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
MELCHERS & CO.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 23rd November, 1900. [2906

EASTERN AND AUSTRALIAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE.
(Calling at TIMOR, PORT DARWIN AND QUEENSLAND PORTS, and taking through Cargo to ADELAIDE, NEW ZEALAND, TASMANIA, &c.)

THE Steamship

"AIRLIE,"

Captain St. John George, will be despatched for the above ports on FRIDAY, the 14th December, at DAYLIGHT.

This well-known Steamer is specially fitted for Passengers, and has a Refrigerating Chamber, which ensures the supply of Fresh Provisions, Ice, &c., throughout the voyage.

This Steamer is installed throughout with the Electric Light.

A Stewardess and a duly qualified Surgeon are carried.

N.B.—Return Tickets issued by this Company to and from Australia are available for return by the steamers of the China Navigation Company and *vice versa*.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 21st November, 1900. [2948

TOYO KISEN KAISHA.

TO SAN FRANCISCO VIA INLAND SEA OF JAPAN AND HONOLULU.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

HONGKONG MARU (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama, and Honolulu)	TUESDAY, Dec. 18, 1900, at NOON.
NIPPON MARU (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama, and Honolulu)	SATURDAY, Jan. 12, 1901, at NOON.
AMERICA MARU (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama, and Honolulu)	THURSDAY, Feb. 7, 1901, at NOON.

THE Twin-Screw Steamship

"HONGKONG MARU"

will be despatched for SAN FRANCISCO VIA SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, INLAND SEA, YOKOHAMA, and HONOLULU on TUESDAY, the 18th December, 1900, at NOON, taking Freight and Passengers for Japan, the United States, and Europe.

Steamers of this line pass through the INLAND SEA OF JAPAN, and call at HONOLULU, and Passengers are allowed to break their journey at any point *en route*.

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J. S. VAN BUREN,
Agent.
Hongkong, 26th November, 1900. [5

SHEWAN-TOMES & CO.'S NEW YORK LINE.

FOR NEW YORK VIA SUEZ CANAL.

THE Steamship

"DEVONSHIRE"

will be despatched for the above port on or about the 20th December, 1900.
For Freight, apply to
SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 9th November, 1900. [285

HONGKONG.

STEAMERS.

Anping Maru, Jap. str., 1,058, Atsumi, Nov. 24, Mitsui Bussan Kaisha
Benlarig, British str., 1,450, Kroble, Nov. 24, Gibb, Livingston & Co
Breconshire, British str., 2,323, Elliot, Nov. 20, Doddwell & Co., Ltd.
Canton, British str., 1,110, Lawrence, Nov. 19, Jardine, Matheson & Co
Catherine Apcar, British str., 1,730, Olifent, Nov. 21, David Sassoon, Sons & Co
Choysang, British str., 1,194, Bowker, Nov. 26, Jardine, Matheson & Co
City of Peking, Amr. str., 3,123, Smith, Nov. 25, P. M. S. S. Co
Clara, German steamer, 675, Hansen, Nov. 16, Jebsen & Co
Deuteros, German str., 1,091, Petersen, Nov. 22, Siemssen & Co
Diamante, British str., 1,225, Ramsay, Nov. 25, Shewan, Tomes & Co
Dunav, Austrian str., 1,004, Colazio, Nov. 26, Sander, Wieler & Co
Eva, German steamer, 5,603, Petersen, Nov. 20, Arnhold, Karberg & Co
Faithing, British str., 983, Gordon, Nov. 24, Jebsen & Co
Formosa, British str., 674, Hodgins, Nov. 22, Douglas Lapraik & Co
Hailan, French steamer, 377, Merlese, Nov. 25, A. R. Marty
Hermes, Norwegian str., 849, Jenssen, Nov. 23, Jardine, Matheson & Co
Hilgiea, British str., 2,501, Pulford, Nov. 26, Dodwell & Co., Limited
Hue, French steamer, 704, Godinas, Nov. 14, A. R. Marty
Jacob Diederichsen, Ger. str., 623, Riecke, Nov. 26, Jebsen & Co
Kwangtee, British str., 1,467, Lincoln, Nov. 23, Chinese
Lyeemoon, German str., 1,239, Heuermann, Nov. 21, Siemssen & Co
Machew, German str., 1,088, Farrell, Nov. 22, Butterfield & Swire
Mausang, British steamer, 1,643, Cox, Nov. 20, Jardine, Matheson & Co
Milos, German str., 1,500, Hermann, Nov. 20, East Asiatic Trading Co
Mongkut, German str., 859, Muller, Nov. 7, Butterfield & Swire
Phra Chom Klao, Ger. str., 1,012, Fowler, Nov. 25, Butterfield & Swire
Progress, German str., 687, Brandt, Nov. 27, Siemssen & Co
Sabine Rickmers, British str., 690, Nasbet, Nov. 9, Arnhold, Karberg & Co
Sandakan, German str., 1,374, Muhle, Nov. 10, Melchers & Co
Tacoma, British str., 1,680, Dixon, Nov. 20, Dodwell & Co., Limited
Taicheong, German str., 828, Ahrens, Nov. 25, Meyer & Co
Tartar, British steamer, 2,768, Bowles, Oct. 28, C. P. R. Co
Telemachus, British str., 1,379, Sawyers, Nov. 22, Butterfield & Swire
Thales, British str., 820, Robson, Nov. 24, Douglas Lapraik & Co

SAILING VESSELS.

Benjamin Sewall, American ship, 1,345, Sewall, Sept. 23, Order
Bittern, British schr., 399, Askin, Aug. 28, Siemssen & Co
Dumblane, Italian bark, 721, Trapani, Oct. 20, Order
Dundee, British ship, 1,998, Hemming, Oct. 14, Standard Oil Co
Puckard, American bark, 2,000, Allen, Oct. 6, Order
Sierra Cordova, British ship, 4,335, Fraser, Nov. 22, Order
State of Maine, Amr. ship, 1,446, Colcord, Oct. 5, Standard Oil Co
Swanhilda, British ship, 1,999, Fraser, Nov. 26, Standard Oil Co

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AGENTS WANTED.
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Hongkong 1st May, 1900.

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To be had at Messrs. KELLY & WALSH, LD, *Daily Press* Office.
Hongkong, 29th October, 1898. [82

BEKANNTMACHUNG.

DIE EINTRAGUNGEN in das Handelsregister sowie anderweitige Bekanntmachungen des Kaiserlichen Konsulats werden im Jahre 1900 durch die Zeitungen "DER OSTASIATISCHE LLOYD" in Shanghai und "THE HONGKONG DAILY PRESS" in Hongkong veröffentlicht werden.
Canton den 27. December, 1899.
DER VERWESER DES KAITERLICHEN KONSULATS,
ZIMMERMANN.

INSURANCES

NORTH GERMAN FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY OF HAMBURG.

The Undersigned AGENTS of the above Company are PREPARED TO ACCEPT First Class Foreign and Chinese Risks at Current Rates.
SIEMSSEN & CO.
Hongkong, 29th May, 1895. [26

SUN INSURANCE OFFICE, LONDON

FOUNDED 1710.

The Undersigned having been appointed AGENTS for the above Company, are prepared to ACCEPT RISKS against FIRE at Current Rates.
SIEMSSEN & CO.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 16th May, 1892. [52

AACHEN AND MUNICH FIRE INSURANCE CO. OF AIX-LA-CHAPELL.

THE Undersigned, having been appointed AGENTS for the above Company, are prepared to ACCEPT RISKS against FIRE at Current Rates.
REUTER, BROCKELMANN & CO.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 21st April, 1897. [9

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F. KIENE,
Manager.

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THE EQUITABLE LIFE ASSURANCE SOCIETY OF THE UNITED STATES.
F. KIENE,
Manager.
Hongkong, 26th November, 1900. [2972

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£500 in case of partial total disablement by accident.
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Accidents insured against for £4 and £2 per annum (£1,000 in case of death, by weekly payments in case of injury).

For further Particulars apply to
J. Y. V. VERNON,
Agent.
Hongkong, 8th June, 1896. [1774

THE WESTERN ASSURANCE COMPANY OF TORONTO, CANADA,

INCORPORATED 1851.
CAPITAL.....£410,000.

THE Undersigned, having been appointed AGENTS for the above Company, are prepared to ACCEPT RISKS against FIRE at Current Rates.
WM. MEYERINK & CO.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 18th May, 1900. 1512

"L'UNION"

FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LD.
(Established 1828).

THE Undersigned, having been appointed GENERAL AGENT for the above Company, is prepared to ACCEPT RISKS at current rates.

Claims settled direct without reference to the Head Office.
A. R. MARTY,
Agent.
Hongkong, 1st August, 1900. 2794

SALAMANDER FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY.

THE Undersigned, having been appointed AGENTS for the above Company, are prepared to ACCEPT RISKS against FIRE at Current Rates.
HOTZ, a'JACOB & CO.
Hongkong, 2nd April, 1900. [1023

TRANSATLANTIC FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY OF HAMBURG

The Undersigned, having been appointed AGENTS for the above Company, are prepared to ACCEPT RISKS against FIRE at Current Rates.
SIEMSSEN & CO.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 16th November, 1872. [24

NORTH BRITISH AND MERCANTILE INSURANCE COMPANY.

TOTAL FUNDS AT 31ST DECEMBER, 1899
£14,409,089.

I.	AUTHORISED CAPITAL	£3,000,000	0	0
	SUBSCRIBED CAPITAL	2,750,000	0	0
	PAID-UP CAPITAL	687,500	0	0
II.	FIRE FUNDS	2,731,183	13	7

The Undersigned, having been appointed AGENTS for the above Company, are prepared to ACCEPT RISKS against FIRE at Current Rates.
SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 22nd June, 1900. [1872

PHŒNIX FIRE OFFICE.

The Undersigned are now prepared to GRANT POLICIES of INSURANCE against FIRE at Current Rates.
DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & CO.,
Agents for the Phœnix Fire Office.
Hongkong, 17th August, 1887. [27

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☞ NEW YEAR MAIL.—Letters, etc., for the United Kingdom posted on the 28th instant per German Mail *Stuttgart*, are due in London about the 27th December next.

☞ The attention of the Public is drawn to the following regulations as to the manner of packing New Year Cards when sent by Book Post:—The packet must be open at the ends and the contents visible, or easily to be rendered visible. Packets which are *sealed* or forwarded in closed covers with the corners cut off or with notched ends are returned to the senders. Packets may be tied with string to protect the contents, but in such a way that the string can be easily untied.

The *Oceanien*, with the French Mail of the 2nd November, left Singapore on Sunday, the 25th inst., at 6 p.m., and may be expected here on or about Sunday, the 2nd December. This Packet brings replies to letters despatched from Hongkong on 29th September.

MAILS WILL CLOSE.

FOR	PER	DAY AND HOUR.
Shanghai	*Hangchow*	Wednesday, 28th, 10.00 A.M.
Haiphong	*Thales*	Wednesday, 28th, 10.00 A.M.
EUROPE, &c., India via Tuticorin (Late Letters 11.10 to 11.30 A.M. Extra Postage 10 cents.)	*Stuttgart*	Wednesday, 28th, Registration ...10.00 A.M. (Registration, with late fee of 10 cents, up to 10.45 A.M.) Letters ... 11.00 A.M.
Shanghai	*Feiching*	Wednesday, 28th, 2.00 P.M.
Shanghai	*Canton*	Wednesday, 28th, 3.00 P.M.
Hongay	*Hermes*	Wednesday, 28th, 5.00 P.M.
Shanghai	*Taiwan*	Thursday, 29th, 11.00 A.M.
Singapore, Penang and Calcutta	*C. Apcar*	Thursday, 29th, 2.00 P.M.
Shanghai	*Lyeemoon*	Thursday, 29th, 3.00 P.M.
Manila	*Diamante*	Thursday, 29th, 4.00 P.M.
Kumchuk and Samshui	*Saikong*	Thursday, 29th, 4.00 P.M.
Singapore	*Canton*	Friday, 30th, 11.00 A.M.
Moji, Kobe, Yokohama and Portland (Or.)	*Eva*	Saturday, 1st Dec., 9.00 A.M.
Foochow, Shanghai, Moji, Kobe, Yokohama, Victoria and Tacoma	*Tacoma*	Saturday, 1st Dec., 3.00 P.M.
EUROPE, &c., India via Tuticorin (Late Letters 11.10 to 11.30 A.M. Extra Postage 10 cents)	*Annam*	Monday, 3rd Dec., Circulars ... 8.00 A.M. Registration... 10.00 A.M. (Registration, with late fee of 10 cents, up to 10.45 A.M.) Papers ... 10.30 A.M. Letters ... 11.00 A.M.
SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA, HONOLULU and SAN FRANCISCO (Supplementary mail on board up to the time fixed for departure of the Mail. Extra Postage 10 cents)	*City of Peking*	Tuesday, 4th Dec., Registration ...10.00 A.M. (Registration, with late fee of 10 cents, up to 10.45 A.M.) Letters ... 11.00 A.M.
Saipan, Ponape, Friedrich-Wilhelmshafen, Finschhafen, Herberts-Hohe, Townsville, Rockhampton, Brisbane and Sydney	*Munchen*	Thurs., 6th Dec., 3.00 P.M.
EUROPE, &c., India via Tuticorin (Late Letters 11.10 to 11.30 A.M. Extra Postage 10 cents) (Supplementary mail on board up to the time fixed for departure of the mail. Extra postage 10 cents)	*Sobraon*	Saturday, 8th Dec., Circulars ... 8.00 A.M. Registration ... 10.00 A.M. (Registration, with late fee of 10 cents, up to 10.45 A.M.) Papers ... 10.30 A.M. Letters ... 11.00 A.M.
Kobe, Yokohama, San Diego and San Francisco	*Carlisle City*	Mon., 10th Dec., 11.00 A.M.
SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA, VICTORIA and VANCOUVER, B.C. (Supplementary mail on board up to the time fixed for departure of the mail. Extra Postage 10 cents.)	*Empress of Japan*	Wednesday, 19th Dec. Registration 10.00 A.M. (Registration, with late fee of 10 cents, up to 10.45 A.M.) Letters ... 11.00 A.M.

TO-DAY.

Show of Chrysanthemums, Kowloon Hotel Gardens.

TO-MORROW.

Sale, steamer *Glenaven*, Sales Rooms, Mr. Geo. Lammert, noon.

Meeting of Eothen Mark Lodge, 5.30 p.m.

COMMERCIAL.

CLOSING QUOTATIONS.

TUESDAY, 27th November.

ON LONDON.—
Telegraphic Transfer ... 2/1
Bank Bills, on demand ... 2/1⅛
Bank Bills, at 30 days' sight ... 2/1⅛
Bank Bills, at 4 months' sight ... 2/1¼
Credits, at 4 months' sight ... 2/1 9/16
Documentary Bills, 4 months' sight 2/1 11/16

ON PARIS.—
Bank Bills, on demand ... 2.62
Credits, at 4 months' sight ... 2.67½

ON GERMANY.—
On demand ... 2.13½

ON NEW YORK.—
Bank Bills, on demand ... 50¾
Credits, 60 days' sight ... 51½

ON BOMBAY.—
Telegraphic Transfer ... 156½
Bank, on demand ... 156¾

ON CALCUTTA.—
Telegraphic Transfer ... 156½
Bank, on demand ... 156¾

ON SHANGHAI.—
Bank, at sight ... 71½
Private, 30 days' sight ... 72½

ON YOKOHAMA.—
On demand ... 2 p.c. dis.

ON MANILA.—
On demand ... Par.

ON SINGAPORE.—
On demand ... ½ p.c. pm.

ON BATAVIA.—
On demand ... 125¼

ON HAIPHONG:—
On demand ... 2 p.c. pm.

ON SAIGON:—
On demand ... 1 p.c. pm.

ON BANGKOK:—
On demand ... 60

SOVEREIGNS, Bank's Buying Rate ... 9.50
GOLD LEAF, 100 fine, per tael ... 50
BAR SILVER, per oz ... 29 9/16

OPIUM.

Quotations are:— Allow'ce net. to 1 catty.

Malwa New	$790	to	$800	per picul.
Malwa Old	$820	to	$830	„
Malwa Older	$840	to	—	„
P. P'per-wrapped	$850	to	—	„
Persian fine quality	$870	to	$920	„
Persian extra fine	—	to	—	„
Patna New	$942½	to	—	per chest.
Patna Old	—	to	—	„
Benares New	$940	to	—	„
Benares Old	—	to	—	„

VESSELS EXPECTED.

THE CANADIAN MAIL.

The C. P. R. steamer *Empress of Japan* arrived at Kobe at 1 p.m. on Saturday, the 24th inst., and left again at 3.30 p.m. same day for Shanghai, where she was due to arrive on the 27th inst.

THE GERMAN MAIL.

The Imperial German Mail steamer *Stuttgart* left Shanghai on Sunday, 25th inst., at 10 a.m., and may be expected here to-day.

The Imperial German Mail steamer *Prinz Heinrich*, carrying the German mails with dates from Berlin of the 5th inst., left Colombo on Thursday, p.m., the 22nd inst., and may be expected here on or about Tuesday, the 4th prox.

THE FRENCH MAIL.

The M. M. steamer *Oceanien*, with the next French mail, left Singapore on Sunday, the 25th inst., at 6 p.m., for this port via Saigon.

THE AMERICAN MAIL.

The O. & O. steamer *Gaelic*, with mails, &c., from San Francisco to the 3rd inst., via Honolulu, has arrived at Yokohama, and left for this port via Inland Sea, Kobe, Nagasaki and Shanghai on Saturday morning, 24th inst.

MERCHANT STEAMERS.

The N. Y. K. steamer *Awa Maru* (European Line) left Kobe via Moji for this port on the 21st inst., and is expected to arrive here on the 28th inst.

The N. G. L. steamer *Wittenberg*, from Hamburg, left Singapore for this port on the 24th inst., and may be expected here on or about the 30th inst.

The P. & O. steamer *Japan* left Singapore for this port on the 27th inst. at 2 p.m.

The N. P. steamer *Duke of Fife* sailed from Tacoma for Japan and Hongkong on the 27th ult.

The N. P. steamer *Glenogle* sailed from Tacoma for Japan and Hongkong on the 31st ult.

The N. P. steamer *Queen Adelaide* sailed from Tacoma for Japan and Hongkong on the 10th inst.

The N. P. steamer *Victoria* sailed from Tacoma for Japan and Hongkong on the 21st inst.

STEAMERS PASSED THE CANAL.

OUTWARD.—2nd October.—*Banca, Brinkburn, Emilia.* 5th October.—*Ansgar, Vienna.* 9th October.—*Solo.* 16th October.—*Erzherzog.* 19th October.—*Narakolb, Strathord.* 23rd October.—*Nordkap.* 26th October.—*Shanghai, Patric.* 2nd November.—*Pingsuey, Dardanus, Oceanien.* 6th November.—*Orwell, Folmina, Nairnshire, Riverdale.* 9th November.—*Ixion, Wakasa Maru.* 13th November.—*Malacca, Clio, Prinz Heinrich, Odessa, Sambia.* 16th November.—*Saxonia, H. H. Meier, Yushun.* 20th November.—*Ashton, Sarpedon, Melbourne, Freiburg.* 23rd November.—*Darmstadt, Kanagawa Maru, Oldenburg.*

HOMEWARD.—2nd November.—*Hutton.* 6th November.—*Indus.* 16th November.—*China.* 20th November.—*Patroclus, Candia, Tamba Maru.* 23rd November.—*Asturia, Malta, Maria de Larrinaga.*

PASSENGERS.

DEPARTED.

Per *Yuensang*, for Manila, Dr. J. Sanger, Messrs. E. Wilson, H. H. Haas, W. B. Atwell, G. Ramandas, D. Ramandas, David Ramsay and E. S. Phillips, Miss Harriet Lourey, Miss Anny Schʼerwith, Mr. and Mrs. Santos Mendoza, Mrs. Petrona Aquino and infant, Mr. and Mrs. Hori Katsukichi, Messrs. C. S. Tomas and José de los Reyes.

NOTICE.

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A. CUNNINGHAM,
Manager.

Hongkong, 4th October, 1900. [2537

WILLIAM MACLEOD, D.D.S.,

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Hongkong, 10th November, 1900. [2861

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Hongkong, 15th September, 1899. [2419

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Hongkong, 31st August, 1897. [33

JOINT STOCK SHARES.

HONGKONG, 27th November.

STOCKS.	No. OF SHARES.	ISSUE V'LUE.	PAID UP.	LAST DIVIDEND	CLOSING QUOTATIONS
BANKS.					
Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation	80,000	$125	$125	30/– div. at 1/11⅛d.=$15.08 per share for 1st half year 1900	316 p. c. pr.=$520, [sales London £57 10s.
Bank of China & Japan, Ld.	199,875	£8	£4	None	£1.
Do. Deferred	1,250	£1	£1		£5 5s.
National Bank of China, Ld.	10,970 A	£10	£8	2/8 for 1899	$26, sales & buyers
	29,955 B	£10	£8	2/8 at 1/17¼=$1.36 for '99	$26, buyers
Do. Founders' Shares	750 fdrs.	£1	£1	None	$20.
MARINE INSURANCES.					
Union Ins. Society, Ld.	10,000	$250	$50	40 p. ct.=$20 for 1898	$245, sellers
China Traders Ins. Co., Ld.	24,000	$83.33	$25	16p.ct.for yr.end.30·4·00	$51, sellers
North China Ins. Co., Ld.	5,000	£100	£25	Int.T.9.23=£1.5at2/8¼ F.Tls.8.82=£1.5at2/10	Tls. 172½.
Yangtsze Ins. Assocn., Ld.	8,000	$100	$60	$6=10 p. ct. for 1897	$115, sellers
Canton Insurce. Office, Ld.	10,000	$250	$50	$12 for 1899	$130, buyers
Straits Insurance Co., Ld.	30,000	$100	$20	5 per cent. for 1895	$1.
FIRE INSURANCES.					
Hongkong Fire Ins. Co., Ld.	8,000	$250	$50	$27 for 1898	$295, sellers
China Fire Ins. Co., Ld.	20,000	$100	$20	$6 for 1898	$76, sellers
SHIPPING.					
Hongkong, Canton and Macao S. B. Co., Ld.	80,000	$15	$15	$1.20 for half year ended 30·6·1900	$32, buyers
Indo-China S. N. Co., Ld.	60,000	£10	£10	6p.ct.&2p.ct.bonus for '99	$95, sellers
China & Manila S. S. Co., Ld.	6,000 14,000	$50 $50	$50 $20	20 per cent. for 1899	$65, sellers $27½, sellers
Douglas Steamship Co., Ld.	20,000	$50	$50	12 per cent. for year ending 30·6·98	$40, sellers
China Mutual S. N. Co., Limited, Preference	20,000	£10	£10	Int. of 3 per cent on a/c. of 1900	£10¾, sellers
Do. Ordinary	20,000	£10	£10	Int. of 5 per cent on a/c. of 1900	£10¾, sellers
Do. do.		£10	£5		£5½, buyers
Star Ferry Co., Limited	10,000	$10	$10	$1.05=12 p. ct. for year ended 30·4·00	$18. $4½, sellers
Shell Transport & Trading Co., Limited	2,000,000	£1	£1	Int. of 5 p. cent on account of 1900	£3 5s, buyers
REFINERIES.					
China Sugar Refining Company, Limited	20,000	$100	$100	Int. of $2½ per share on a/c 1900	$123, buyers
Luzon Sugar Refng. Co., Ld.	7,000	$100	$100	$3 for 1897	$35, buyers
MINING.					
Punjom Mining Co., Ld.	60,000	$8	$8	None	$2.75, sellers
Do. Preference	30,000	$1	$1		75 cents.
Société Fran. des Charbonnages du Tonkin	16,000	Fs.250	Fs.250	None	$260, buyers
Queens Mines, Limited	400,000	25 cts.	25 cts.	None	7 cents, sales & sellers
Jelebu Mining and Trading Company, Ld.	45,000	$5	$5	5 p. ct. half year end. 31·7·94 (coupon 9)	$6¼, sellers
Raub Australian Gold Mining Co., Limited	200,000	£1	16/10	1 s'ling. 51 cts., 10th div. on 7·7·00	$50, sellers
Olivers Freehold Mines, Limited	A 15,000 B 45,000	$5 $5	$5 $4½	None	$2, sales $1.20, sellers
Great Eastern and Cal. Gold Mining Co., Ld.	140,000	$4	$3	First year	5 cents
Do. Preferences	70,000	$1	$1		30 cents
DOCKS, WHARVES, &c.					
Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Co., Limited	12,500	$125	$125	8p.ct.&12p.ct.bonus for ½year ended 30·6·'00	545 per c.pr.=$806.25, [sellers
Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and G. Co., Ld.	30,000	$50	$50	Int. of 5 p. cent on account of 1900	$83, sellers
Wanchai Warehouse and Storage Co., Ld.	2,600	$100	$37½	Int. of $1½ on account 1900=22p. ct. for 1899	$61, buyers
New Amoy Dock Co., Ld.	6,000	$6¼	$6¼	22 per cent. for 1899	$20½.
LANDS, HOTELS & BUILDG.					
Hongkong Land Investment & Agency Co., Ld.	50,000	$100	$100	Int. $3 on account 1900	$188, sales
Kowloon Land & B. Co.	6,000	$30	$30	$1½ for 1899	$25½ buyers
West Point Building Company, Limited	12,500	$50	$50	Int. $1.50 on acct. 1900	$40, sellers
Hongkong Hotel Company, Limited	12,000	$50	$50	10 p. ct. for half year ended 30·6·1900	$120.
Oriente Hotel Co., Limited	7,000	$50	450	First year	65, buyers
Humphreys Est. & Fin. Co.	100,000	$10	$10	5 per cent. for 1899	$11.75.
COTTON MILLS.					
Ewo Cotton, Spinning and Weaving Co., Ld.	17,500	Tls100	Tls100	3½ p. ct. for period ending 31·10·97	Tls. 32½
Internatnl. Cot. M'fg. Co., Ld.	10,000	Tls100	Tls100	3 p. ct. on account '98	Tls. 40
Laou-kung-mow Cotton Spin. & Weav. Co., Ld.	8,000	Tls100	Tls100	4 p. ct. on account '98 on 6,000 shares	Tls. 37½
Soy Chee Cotton Spinning Company, Ld.	2,000	Tls500	Tls500	4 p. ct. for period ending 31·12·97	Tls. 375
Yahloong Cot. Spin. Co., Ld.	7,500	Tls100	Tls100	None	Tls. 27½
Hongkong Cotton Spin., Weav. & Dye. Co., Ld.	12,000	$100	$100	None	$5, buyers
MISCELLANEOUS.					
Green Island Cement Co.	60,000	$10	$10	10p. c. for 1'9 on o. Capt.	$13½, sales
China Borneo Co., Ld.	7,500	$20	$15	None	$31.
A. S. Watson & Co., Ld.	60,000	$10	$10	Final of 6 p. ct. making 11 p. ct. for '99	$16, sellers
Hongkong Electric Co., Ld.	30,000 30,000	$10 $10	$10 $5	70 cents per share 7 cents per share	$11, sales & buyers $5.20, buyers
Hongkong and China Gas Company, Limited	7,000	£10	£10	9 p. ct. for 1899	$118, buyers
Hongkong Rope M'fg. Co.	10,000	$50	$10	$10 for 1898	$170, sellers
Geo. Fenwick & Co., Ld.	6,000	$25	$25	15 per cent. for 1899	$50.
Hongkong Ice Co., Ld.	5,000	$25	$25	Int. $2 p. s. on act. 1900	$178.
Hongkong High-Level Tramways Co., Ld.	1,250	$100	$100	$12 for year ended 30·11·99	$130, buyers
Dairy Farm Co., Ld.	10,000	$7½	$6	$1 per share	$7½, ex div., sellers
Carmichael & Co., Ld.	2,000	$25	$20	$1 for 1899	$8.
Hk. & China Bakery Co., Ld.	600	$50	$50	15 per cent. for 1899	$50, buyers
Campbell, Moore& Co., Ld.	1,200	$10	$10	12 per cent. for 1899	$20.
Bell's Asbestos E. Agcy., Ld.	10,000	£1	£1	75c. per share for year ended 31·5·00	$1½
United Asbestos Oriental Agency, Limited	9,900 ordy. 100 fndrs.	$10 $10	$4 $10	$29	$8, sellers $20.
Tebrau Planting Co., Ld.	20,000	$5	$5	None	$3, sellers
China Provident Loan & Mortgage Co., Ld.	50,000 50,000	$20 $20	$10 $10	80 cents for period ending 31·12·99	$9.75, sales & sellers
Watkins, Limited	10,000	$10	$10	8 per cent. for 1899	$10½, buyers
Universal Trading Co.	50,000	$20	$5	None	$5½, buyers
CIGAR COMPANIES.					
Alhambra, Limited	200	$500	$500	25p.c. for yr.end.30·6·'00	$1,500, buyers
La Commercial, Limited	260	$500	$500	Int. of 10 p. c. for 1899	$950 ex div.
Hensiana, Limited	750	$100	$100	First year	$100.
La Favorita, Limited	130	$500	$500	First year	$625, sellers

VERNON & SMYTH, BROKERS.

THE WEATHER.

CHINA COAST METEOROLOGICAL REGISTER, 26th NOVEMBER, P.M.

STATION.	Hour.	Barometer red. to sea level and 32° Fahr.	Temperature.	Humidity.	Wind. Direction.	Wind. Force.	Weather.
V'divostock	2 p.	30.13	35	—	SE	4	—
Tokyo	„	30.22	—	—	S	4	—
Kochi	„	30.27	—	—	NE	2	—
Nagasaki	„	30.27	—	—	W	6	—
Kagoshima	„	30.23	—	—	S	2	—
Tamoku	1 p.	30.15	—	—	E	6	—
Taichu	„	30.08	—	—	N	4	—
Tainan	„	—	—	—	—	—	—
Koshun	„	—	—	—	—	—	—
Pescadores	„	—	—	—	—	—	—
Gutzlaff	3 p.	—	—	—	—	—	—
Sharp Peak	„	30.15	64	78	E	3	c
Amoy	„	30.05	73	63	ENE	3	c
Swatow	„	30.12	70	—	E	4	c
Canton	„	30.08	77	60	—	0	b
Hongkong	4 p.	30.08	69	75	E	2	c
Vic'tia Peak	„	—	—	—	—	—	—
Gap Rock	„	30.05	—	—	ENE	5	—
Macao	„	30.06	71	—	ENE	1	c
Haiphong	1 p.	—	—	—	—	—	—
Manila	4 p.	29.84	84	71	ENE	1	c
Malate	3 p.	—	—	—	NE	2	c
Bacolod	„	—	—	—	NE	—	c
Iloilo	„	29.77	86	—	E	2	c
Cebu	„	29.83	84	—	NE	3	o
C. S. James	„	—	—	—	NE	5	c
27th NOVEMBER, A.M.							
V'divostock	7 a.	30.31	28	64	—	0	b
Tokyo	10 a.	—	—	—	—	—	—
Kochi	„	—	—	—	—	—	—
Nagasaki	„	—	—	—	—	—	—
Kagoshima	„	—	—	—	—	—	—
Tamoku	5 a.	30.15	—	—	E	6	—
Taichu	„	30.10	—	—	E	2	—
Tainan	„	30.09	—	—	N	4	—
Koshun	„	30.10	—	—	N	2	—
Pescadores	„	—	—	—	—	—	—
Gutzlaff	9 a.	30.28	55	100	E	4	cmd
Sharp Peak	„	30.20	61	80	NNW	1	og
Amoy	„	30.11	65	79	NE	1	—
Swatow	„	—	—	—	—	—	—
Canton	„	—	—	—	—	—	—
Hongkong	10 a.	30.09	69	77	E	4	c
Vict'a Peak	„	—	—	—	E	6	—
Gap Rock	„	30.03	—	—	ENE	5	—
Macao	„	30.10	73	—	ESE	3	c
Haiphong	7 a.	—	—	—	—	—	—
Manila	10 a.	29.92	86	65	NNW	1	c
Malate	9 a.	—	—	—	NW	2	b
Bacolod	„	—	—	—	NW	2	c
Iloilo	„	29.85	82	—	E	2	b
Cebu	„	29.89	85	—	NE	3	o
C. S. James	7 a.	—	—	—	NE	3	c

On the 27th at 11.35 a.m. The barometer has fallen on the China coast, risen in the Sea of Japan. Pressure is highest over Japan, and gradients are moderate with fresh monsoon in S. China and the N. part of the China Sea. Forecast:—fresh NE. winds; fair.

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	Previous day 4 p.m.	On date at 10 a.m.	On date at 4 p.m.
Barometer	30.08	30.09	29.96
Temperature	69	69	80
Humidity	75	77	81
Direction of wind	E	E	E
Force	2	4	4
Weather	c	c	c
Rain	—	—	—

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Day of Week.	Day of Month.	HIGH WATER. Hongkong Mean Time.	HIGH WATER. Height.	LOW WATER. Hongkong Mean Time.	LOW WATER. Height.
		h. m.	ft. in.	h. m.	ft. in.
Wed.	28	2 23 a	2 6	m 7 23 5 39 a	—0 5 2 1
Thurs	29	m 0 34 3 19 a	4 11 2 9	m 8 15 7 3 a	—0 4 2 3
Fri.	30	m 1 47 4 9 a	4 3 3 2	m 9 14 9 12 a	0 0 2 2
Sat.	1	m 3 14 4 56 a	3 8 3 8	m 10 9 11 12 a	0 4 1 7
Sun.	2	m 4 57 5 40 a	3 3 4 3	m 11 2	0 6
Mon.	3	6 27 6 22 a	3 0 4 10	m 0 28 m 11 48	0 8 0 11
Tues.	4	m 7 34 7 2 a	3 11 5 4	m 1 27 0 29 a	—0 1 1 2

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